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### AFFAIRS IN ENGLAND.

**Mr. Lowe's Budget—The Scheme Analyzed—"A Pleasant Surprise"—Press Comments—Future Financial Estimates—What Army and Navy Reductions are Expected to Accomplish.**

From Our Own Correspondent.

LONDON, Saturday, April 10, 1869.

It cannot be said that Mr. LOWE's Budget revolutionizes the English financial system, but it certainly introduces some new and questionable elements into it. I have remarked in a former letter that Chancellors of the Exchequer have recently aimed at, and achieved, considerable popularity by simple expedients. They have taken off indirect taxes and increased direct taxes, so that the expense of Government falls more and more on those who are called the "rich," although the word is a bitter sarcasm on the class to whom it applies. The persons upon whom the burden of taxation presses most severely in this country are not the rich, nor the "poor"—*i. e.*, the bulk of the working classes. The real sufferers are the middle class—the tens of thousands of clerks and professional men, whose income depends on their own exertions, who may lose that income at any moment by illness, by inability to find employment, or by any misfortune from which the class above them are exempt. They are obliged to study to keep up appearances more than the class beneath them, to educate and clothe their children better, and to make some sort of decent provision for poor or aged relations. This is the class upon whom demands for direct taxes fall most severely, and yet their grievances are almost unheeded, by Liberals and Conservatives alike. They make no outcry or noise; they have no time or inclination to get up "monster processions," and march with bands and banners to Trafalgar-square or Hyde Park, breaking a few club windows on their way. It is, therefore, not worth the while of any statesman in search of popularity to go out of his way to study them. There is a very clear advantage in trying to win the applause of the laboring classes proper, because of their number and consequent power in the electoral system. It is, therefore, an inviting course to take the taxes off the "masses" and put them on the clerk, the doctor, lawyer or author, the struggling tradesman, the quiet, plodding, anti-agitation class generally.

Mr. LOWE, in this new budget of which you will hear so much, has done nothing more than construct an ingenious device for digging deeper than ever into the pockets of this middle class—as we may call them. People are crying out, "What a wonderful man!" Mr. LOWE is that, no doubt, but I can find nothing very wonderful in his present scheme. The surprise which it has occasioned arises solely from the secrecy which was preserved by the Cabinet down to the very last moment. If people had been prepared in any way to anticipate a surplus, they would have criticised more closely the means by which Mr. LOWE proposed to obtain it—but he had industriously spread abroad the impression that there was a large deficit, (which was true,) and that he knew of no other way of meeting it than by new taxes or a loan, (which was not true.) This idea he sought to convey to the minds of his hearers even in making his budget speech—an exercise of art which may safely be pronounced superfluous, even if we do not suspect Mr. LOWE of a consciousness that his scheme was defective, and a desire to conceal its defects by a cunning artifice. If a man appoints an agent to look into his affairs, and that agent comes to him and says, "You are in a very bad way—there will be the greatest possible difficulty in showing a balance on your side, but if you will give me power to draw on your estate for the liquidation of certain claims *in advance*, I may be able to pull you through it"—that man is very likely to defer to his agent's counsel. Mr. LOWE deals in a similar spirit with that unfortunate section of the nation who have paid out of their own pockets for the Abyssinian war, and who are expected to satisfy every fresh claim that may be made upon the Government.

The newspapers here have not as yet given anything worthy to be called criticism on the budget, with the exception of two of your contemporaries, to which I shall presently call your readers' attention. As I have said, the *surprise* of the Budget seems to have paralysed men's judgment. Long before this letter reaches you that surprise will have passed away, and it may be discovered what hardships, it may almost be said what *misery*, will be inflicted by this scheme if it is accepted without alteration. To understand M. LOWE's proposal it is necessary for the reader to bear in mind that income tax in this country is at present levied upon the income of the year that is past. In 1869 a man returns what income he received in 1868. The sum assessed is then payable in *three* installments—one at the end of six months *after* the assessment, another in three months, and a third in three months. Thus the payment is distributed over a year. Mr. LOWE's great change is this—he proposes to call upon the income tax-payers next January to pay their assessment for the whole of 1870 *as advance*. That is to say, they will be required at the beginning of the new year, when demands of all kinds are pressing severely upon them, to pay tax upon an income not yet earned, and which they may not be able to earn. Suppose, for instance, a hard working man manages to scrape together an income of from £300 to £600 a year. It is as much as he can do to keep a wife and bring up a young family respectably upon that, and it is of no use for Mr. MILL or others to tell him that he ought to have "restricted the number of his family," and to have had one child only, or none at all. What he had before him is the fact that the children are in the world, and that God and man have laid upon him the obligation of supporting them. At the end of the year, in the midst of Winter, when his purse has run dry, the tax-payer is henceforth to call upon him for a tax on the *next year's income*. By great sacrifices he pays the demand, and very likely his children go without shoes or stockings to enable him to do so. Now it may happen (such incidents are as common as day and night in this world) that he soon after this falls ill, and is unable to earn that income upon which he has paid the tax. Can he claim any part of his money back again? No—if he lives till the following January the collector will call again for the tax on the next year's unearned income, and as it will go on year after year, unless the last straw breaks the camel's back, and the man who was willing to work gives up the fight.

And this is the scheme of which the *Saturday Review* says: "It has been the rare fortune of the Chancellor of the Exchequer to gratify the House of Commons and the country with a pleasant surprise." A pleasant surprise truly for many a home upon which the pressure of debt and embarrassment constantly hangs like a dark cloud. The injustice is not redressed by Mr. LOWE taking off a penny in the pound from the income tax, or by abolishing the one shilling duty on corn and the duty on *kali-powder!* This is as if Mr. LOWE put a penny into one pocket of the tax-payer and took a shilling out of the other. If he is enabled to show a surplus by this new squeeze of the tax-payer, it must be very clear that the burden upon the tax-payer has been somehow increased. But Mr. LOWE calls the process "Parliamentary magic." Surely *juggle* is the word he must have had in his mind while *magic* was in his mouth.

By this new thumb-screw for the poor tax-payer—for the classes now chiefly drawn upon are poor—Mr. LOWE will gain nearly $3,000,000. I am very glad to see, since I began this letter, that the *Spectator* has shown how this will affect the middle class. "The month of January would become one of bitter tribulation and anguish to small traders under Mr. LOWE's scheme." The *Daily News* says: "In some particular twelvemonth, people will find that they have had to pay a year and a half's income and assessed taxes instead of a year's, and they will afterward always have a year's to pay as before. To call one of the payments an anticipation makes no material difference." The *Economist* points out a fault in the plan upon which professed financiers alone are competent to speak with authority. "The Government would receive in the first quarter of the year over $8,000,000 sterling from the tax-payers. It could not wait every year for this money, and therefore in the last quarter, when it would necessarily be poor, it would have to borrow largely from the Bank of England." And few things could be more mischievous and unpopular than that Government, in the Autumn season of pressure, should be a large borrower from the Bank of England. This new mode of taxation would strangely alter the money market, and alterations in a delicate market resting on credit are always somewhat dubious."

There is, of course, a good principle at the bottom of Mr. LOWE's idea. At present the taxes are collected in a cumbrous manner, by amateurs, and at a great expense. A proposal to employ excise officers in the collection, and to gather some portion of the taxes at the beginning of the year, would not have given rise to great objection. But Mr. LOWE has been too ambitious. He might well have been content with defraying the supplementary bill just brought in on account of the Abyssinian war. But he wished to make a "sensation," to astound and dazzle people, and to cause them to cry out, as they have done, "Was there ever so wonderful a man as this Mr. LOWE?" He must, therefore, not only pay the Abyssinian bill, but go on to make large remissions of taxation, while at the same time cruelly pressing the class of tax-payers already most ill used. As he said of Mr. MILL, he has been too clever. It appears to be his way. After several of his reform speeches in 1866-67, he was so applauded that he thought he would excel all former efforts, and so wound up his last speech with a wild burst about the fall of England as typified in an ancient carving, which excited the just ridicule of the House, and caused Mr. DISRAELI to liken the speaker to an "inspired schoolboy." This budget would have been better if it had aimed at less. In its present state there will be a fight over it; but when you remember that the "working classes" have no reason to be dissatisfied with it, since it places no new burden upon them, it may seem doubtful whether Mr. GLADSTONE will deem it necessary to make any essential alteration.

I ought to mention, before concluding, that our estimated expenditure for next year is £65,225,000. This is an improvement upon recent years, but the people ought never to rest satisfied until a much larger retrenchment is carried out. We shall see whether sweeping reductions in the army and navy will eventually lead to this result. L. J. J.

### AFFAIRS IN FRANCE.

**An American Journal Needed in Paris—Successful English Newspapers—Parisian Influence—Minister Burlingame's Solecs—The American Theory of Invitation—A New Paper.**

From Our Own Correspondent.

PARIS, Friday, April 9, 1869.

We continue to stand greatly in need of an American daily paper at Paris, and rather than have none at all, we would accept a "six by nine" of the humblest pretensions. We can give it eight hundred subscribers to start with and from two to three thousand to finish with, at a rate that will more than pay expenses, and it can have a page, at least, of well-paid advertisements. The operation is a safe one.

We have already five weekly papers printed for Americans, viz.: the *Continental Gazette*, the *Franco-American*, the *European News*, the *American Register*, and the *Tablet*, the three first large, well printed, and costly papers, all of them, I believe, but the first printed by either Englishmen or Frenchmen. The curious part of it is that they are all paying well. Who ever before heard of a weekly *news* paper paying well for a race of people brought up on the electric telegraph and the morning and evening daily? The secret lies in the fact that there is a great demand for American advertisements, or rather a desire to place advertisements before Americans, and in their own language, and these weekly papers are better than nothing for that purpose. A daily paper would rapidly absorb this advertising and create more, and might therefore be expected to pay almost from the first day.

The following conditions are essential to the success of the paper. The proprietor ought to be a printer, and if a journalist so much the better. He ought to be an original Union man, and so thorough an American as to know by instinct and his own feelings the political matter that would be acceptable to the majority. There must be no discussion as to the politics of the paper. In order not to create jealousies the proprietor ought not to occupy himself with other business; but an exception might be made in favor of American books and stationery and Yankee notions, in which there is a large field for operations and no competition.

The secret of the success of *Galignani's Messenger* is that it is a thoroughly English paper—so thoroughly English that an American can't read it half the time without having his digestion spoiled for the rest of the day. It is an excellent English paper, for Englishmen, with nothing hybrid about it, and, in like manner, we want a good American paper, for Americans, as little hybrid as the other.

Good ABRAHAM LINCOLN once said that two years' residence in Paris was enough to denationalize an American, which is so true and so palpable. Alas! for a certain number of people, that he was not the first to make the remark. STEPHEN A. DOUGLAS, long ago, when he was at Paris, laid down the doctrine to a party of friends, that no man ought to remain outside the democratic influences of his country more than two years. For he had observed that foreign influences, like sin, deadened a man's perceptions, and hindered him from measuring the depths of perversity into which he had fallen. Little by little he fell into that state of mind where, while believing himself to be an American, and vehemently claiming to be one, he had become powerless to perceive the distance that separated him from one. Having no longer the institutions of his country, nor the prodigious daily manifestations of brain power of his countrymen directly under his eye, he adopts, without knowing it, foreign institutions, foreign man and a foreign habit of thought. Without knowing the depth of the political perversity into which he has fallen he gets to admitting to himself the superiority of a one-man power, and the force of gold leaf and titles. For him there is no longer any strength in simplicity. He forgets that the basis of true civilization is the doctrine of the greatest good to the greatest number, and that this doctrine is found only in the Republic; and he forgets that those nations which create the most titles and wear the most gold leaf are exactly the nations which invented neither the steamboat nor the electric telegraph, nor anæsthesia, nor the reaping machine, nor the sewing machine—in fine, that he, the representative of a grander and a nobler civilization, is consenting to play second fiddle to nations and people who, when they found themselves incapable of attracting the attention of the world in any other way, adopted the plan of giving to each other, or of assuming, high-sounding titles.

The other night the Minister of China and his lady gave a grand *soirée*, the most brilliant of the season, and Mr. BURLINGAME—a true American, that one, notwithstanding his official title—was overrun with demands for invitations from people of whom many signed only Duke or Marquis, and supposed that this alone entitled them to an invitation. Mr. BURLINGAME did not see it in that light, and he set up the doctrine that a man who governs himself is a sovereign, and a man who is governed by another is a subject; that, therefore, a Duke was not honoring him, as is generally supposed, by coming into his house, but he the Duke; that the rule governing invitations should be previous acquaintance or official position. On this rule hooted, and even then he had more than a thousand people in his house—for the Minister of China is a sympathetic man, who makes friends wherever he goes, and the officials were all glad to meet under his roof.

A few years ago, when the late lamented Mr. DAYTON was Minister at Paris, two sons of men of high rank, whose fathers at the same time were favoring in public bodies the recognition of the South, went to ask in person an invitation to one of the legation balls. It was impudent enough under the circumstances to ask for such a thing, and they were refused politely by Mrs. DAYTON on the ground that she had already asked as many of her own friends as the house would hold, but they went all the same to the ball! They went because they supposed the American people to be a sort of democratic mob, and because they were titled men and supposed they were doing us an honor by going there. There was no malice in their conduct; they acted on a very general opinion that we are yet a show for civilized people, and that the European rules of social intercourse do not yet apply to us!

If we can have a good daily newspaper at Paris it will do some good in correcting this opinion, and it will, perhaps, serve also in some sort as an antidote to the political divagations of some of our own people. Do send us out somebody for this purpose.

Mr. BLANCHARD JERROLD, son of the late DOUGLAS JERROLD, of the *Punch*, is about to start a daily paper at Paris to be called the *Continent*, and which is making an appeal for American as well as English aid; but, after all, it will be an English paper, and we want an American paper, pure and unadulterated. The *Continent* will be probably an improvement on *Galignani*; but it is not what we want. MALAKOFF.

### AFFAIRS IN SPAIN.

**Labors of the Cortes—The American Legation—Inquiry in the Cortes—The Constitution.**

From Our Own Correspondent.

MADRID, Wednesday, April 7, 1869.

Since it has resumed its sittings, the Cortes has been steadily pushing forward the work of legislation. It first took up the bill authorizing the loan, which was passed with the usual majority of 100 votes to 40; and in the same sitting the *projet* of the Constitution was introduced and read. You are already in possession by telegraph of its principal provisions, and therefore I do not think it necessary to send you the document in full, as it occupies a great deal of space, and will be so cut up and altered in its progress through the Chamber, that its authors will scarcely be able to recognize their work.

Apparently liberal, this measure has the fault of leaving the door open to a host of restrictions by legislative enactment, which will have the effect of almost entirely neutralizing the principles which it proclaims. It has of course been variously appreciated by the newspapers, according to their political color. The Republicans assert that individual rights are not sufficiently guaranteed in it, and they complain more especially of the clause having reference to liberty of worship, which, it must be owned, is equivocally worded. Article 109, which gives the sovereign power to suspend individual guarantees in certain cases, is also the object of severe criticism. An article abolishing slavery in the colonies was, I understand, inserted in the original draft of the measure, but was withdrawn at the last moment. An effort will be made by the Opposition to have it restored in the law.

Among the amendments, of which notice has already been given, is one demanding the appointment, during the intervals between the sessions of the Cortes, of a committee charged to watch over the strict observance of the Constitution, and invested with power to convoke an immediate meeting of the Chambers on the four following eventualities: First, when the Throne becomes vacant; second, when the King finds it impossible to sustain his authority from any cause whatever; third, when the monarch abstains from convoking the Cortes in cases provided for by the Constitution, and fourth, when the Constitution itself is violated. Another amendment demands that the article on liberty of worship shall be framed in these terms:

"The public or private exercise of any other form of worship than the Catholic is guaranteed to all Spaniards and foreigners residing in Spain, without any other limitation than the universal rules of morality."

On article 70, notice has been given of an amendment to this effect:

"The King has power to dispose of the military and naval forces of the country, and, with the consent of the Cortes, to declare war, and to make and ratify peace."

There are two other amendments on the notice list, one prohibiting the monarch from exercising any of the powers conferred upon him by the Constitution until he shall have taken the oath and been recognized by the Cortes, and another demanding that the form of this oath shall be the same as that used for the enthronement of the Kings of Arragon. Those versed in Spanish history will remember that the latter expressly affirms that the monarch is but the equal, and, in certain cases, the inferior of those by whom he is chosen.

THE AMERICAN LEGATION.

In Wednesday's sitting an interpellation was put to the Minister of Hacienda, by Señor FUENTE ALCARAZ, respecting the alleged introduction of goods for commercial purposes under cover of Mr. HALE's diplomatic privilege. Both the Minister of Hacienda and of State declared that they had no cognizance of any such matter, but would make inquiries. The result of their investigations has not as yet been communicated to the Chamber.

Although this matter has been brought forward from motives of hostility to Mr. HALE, I regard it as fortunate for that gentleman and for the credit of our country that it should have assumed this tangible shape. As long as it was confined to mere gossip it could not have been noticed or answered, and the accusation will now, I presume, be disposed of in a manner which will silence the Minister's enemies. As soon as the story came to my ears, some six or seven weeks ago, I thought it but fair to Mr. HALE to address him a note communicating the charge thus privately circulated against him, and inquiring if there was any foundation chargeable or otherwise for it. The following was his reply:

MADRID, 2, 1869.

*To the Madrid Correspondent of the New-York Times:*

MY DEAR SIR: Ordinarily I should not take notice of the inquiries which you have addressed to me concerning my importations of furniture and clothing into Spain under my privilege as Minister of the United States, but appreciating your motives in making the inquiry, I will say to you that I have not imported half the amount to which I am entitled under the laws of Spain. As to the list which you have shown me as pretending to come from the State Department, I know nothing of it; and as to any goods imported in my name having been exposed for sale in a store in Madrid, I can only say, if it were so it was without my knowledge or consent. I am satisfied that the statement shown to you is entirely false. Yours, sincerely, JOHN P. HALE.

Now that the matter has been brought before the Cortes, I see no impropriety in publishing this letter. I have only to add that the inquiries to which it replies were made by me simply as a guide for my own conduct.

The sittings of Friday and Saturday were of a more than usually interesting character. A project of law on the freedom of agricultural ranks, which was presented by the Ministry and accepted by the Government, was referred to a committee. The Ministry presented two bills, one regulating the positions of Government employes and the other fixing the effective of the army at 80,000 men for the exercise of 1869-70. An animated debate took place on the subject of the alleged atrocities committed by the army at Jerez, in which the Minister of War was very emphatic in his denials of the charges brought forward by the minority. M. SAGASTA informed the Chamber on Saturday, that jewels to the value of fourteen millions of reals had been stolen from the Cathedral of Toledo, and he attributed their abstraction to the dishonesty of some of the persons intrusted with the guardianship of the Church valuables. In this sitting on the motion of M. GIRNER, the Cortes unanimously voted the pardon of a soldier who had been condemned to death at Granada for the assassination of a sergeant, and who was to be executed on the same day at 4 o'clock. Immediately after the result of the vote had been ascertained, the Minister of War dispatched a telegram from the chamber communicating the pardon to the military authorities who had charge of the arrangements for the execution, and shortly after the Cortes had the satisfaction of learning that the message had been received in time, and that the life of the unfortunate culprit had been saved. This episode created quite a sensation in the Chamber, and much impatience was manifested until the answer was received. It is the first instance, I believe, on record of the life of a criminal having been saved by the vote of a deliberative assembly, and the fact shows the determination of the Cortes to do away altogether with the punishment of death.

THE CONSTITUTION.

The discussion on the *ensemble* of the Constitution commenced yesterday. Señor SANCHEZ RUANO (Republican) made a most effective speech against it. He characterized the measure as reactionary, and reproached its authors with leaving in force the punishment of death, the *quintas* and slavery, with have limited individual rights, given to the monarch the power of suspending the most important of them, and maintained the privileges of the Catholic Church. The principle of the national sovereignty had been ignored.

"You have decided on the monarchy," added the orator, "and I know not whether the candidate you have will come here, but if he should accept the throne, all I can say is that he will have as enemies not only those who sit on the Republican benches, but many others among yourselves. We will leave you to seek your King. It is sufficient for us to raise our banner and to wait until the country decides what will best suit its aspirations. In the meanwhile, and notwithstanding that you say you will not accept amendments to the Constitution, we mean to present them, in order that the nation may see that there is no party serious in this Assembly, save the Conservative Republicans, who represent the interests of justice, who preach not disorder, pillage and the division of property, as asserted, but order, liberty, tolerance, and respect for the rights of all. On this side there are no demagogues, and if some are disposed to raise that banner in order to sustain certain ideas, we would be the first to take up arms against them. There is no solution possible but a Republic, serious, conservative and loyal in its form. I do not want a Republic composed of our side alone. That I would consider a great misfortune, but let me tell you, that if you have rendered impossible a Republic with us alone, we shall render impossible a King with you exclusively. Be logical. If you accept the democratic principle, you must accept the form which represents it the most naturally. What sort of idea is that of a King wearing the Phrygian cap?"

The speech of M. RUANO was his maiden effort, and is regarded as a great oratorical success. He was repeatedly interrupted with bursts of applause throughout its delivery. He was replied to by M. GIL SANCHEZ, who defended the Constitution in a speech remarkable for the feebleness of its arguments.

Señor FIGUEROLA followed in a strain of brilliant invective:

"To-day," he said, "the partisans of Don FERNANDO, of Coburg, are dejected because their candidate not only says that he will not accept the Crown, but that he will not even receive the Commission which you propose to send to offer it to him. Therefore, after the acknowledged defeat of the Montpensierists, there being but two candidates, unless indeed you hold in reserve another of whose name I am ignorant, for you will hardly attempt to prove that Don ALFONSO is not a Bourbon, it turns out that we, the Republicans, although the least numerous in this Chamber are the strongest in the public estimation from this very impossibility to find a monarch, and each day that passes in the present situation will serve to prove to the country that the existence of a Republic is entirely consistent with order and justice."

M. FIGUEROLA then proceeded to dissect the project, and demonstrated its weaknesses and inconsistences in a vein of quiet humor and satire which told most effectively. The sitting terminated at 8:15 o'clock.

### AFFAIRS IN ITALY.

**Austro-Italian Relations—Movements of Royalty—Radical and Reactionary Movements—Chances of the Mazzinians—Foreign Relations—The Roman Question—Nicolo Machiavelli—Napoleon—Anniversary Days—Italian Palaces—Monument to Cherubini.**

From Our Own Correspondent.

FLORENCE, Tuesday, April 6, 1869.

General MORSING, sent by the Emperor of Austria to acknowledge the expressions of respect with which FRANCIS JOSEPH was met on arriving near the Italian border, had no reason to complain of the manner in which he was received by the Florentines. The King gave him a hearty welcome at the Pitti Palace, where the ceremonies of a formal meeting took place, and the people gathered under the windows of the Hotel de New-York, where he was lodged, and with music and applause added their testimony of friendly feeling. The ancient malevolence toward Austria does not now exist, and in place of it something like good feeling has grown up. The contrast between the relations of the two countries to each other now, and ten years ago, does not escape observation. One never hears of the *maledetti tedeschi*, or of the Austrian flag, *il giallo ed il nero colori esecrabili*, expressions indulged with malicious delight before Solferino and the liberation. It hardly seems just that a good deal of this anger should now be directed toward France.

RADICAL AND REACTIONARY MOVEMENTS.

The King to-morrow will slip off to Naples, there to be present at a banquet to be given in honor of the Committee who had charge of the project of the golden crown subscribed for by the Neapolitans, on the recurrence of the twentieth anniversary of the accession of VICTOR EMMANUEL to the throne. The King and Royal Princes are obliged to be as active as any politicians to keep up their popularity. The country is tormented with factions, some of them with a programme reasonable enough, but others influenced less by patriotism than by selfish passions. From all that comes to the knowledge of the public, at no time have the leaders of radical and reactionary movements been more energetic with word and action than now. There was a little incident witnessed a few nights back, at one of the theatres here in Florence, which shows what means are resorted to for the purpose of keeping alive a feeling of disaffection. There was, at the Pagliano Theatre, a benefit night for the Society of *Reduci Delle Patrie Battaglie*, when, in the middle of the play, down came from the upper row of boxes a shower of incendiary handbills, making a violent appeal, and declaring that the hour had struck for a revolutionary movement. The association receiving the benefit of the night's revenue is an organization partly political and partly with an object of charity, and the directors declared that they had no knowledge of any such intended demonstration. But no fire was kindled, as the sparks fell upon incombustible material. People read the bills, enjoyed the play, and went quietly to their homes.

Florence, of all the cities of the Kingdom, is the one in which a political revolution is least likely to find substantial encouragement. The people are by habit conservative, and are disposed, if matters are going on tolerably well, to let the actual situation alone. As for the demonstrations, such as they are, which we are frequently witnessing, it seems as if they must be fraudulently made by the enemies of republican reform, so little calculated are they to produce the result professedly aimed at. I see no possible chance for Signor MAZZINI and his party to compass their ends in the actual circumstances of the nation. The country needs rest and will have it, and it seems almost a crime to hinder it, either by internal commotions or by alliances which have for their object foreign wars.

FOREIGN RELATIONS.

The Paris journals put into the mouth of the King of Italy, when he received the deputation from Naples, words which he never uttered. People here are puzzled to know who could have been the inventor of those remarkable expressions, which, had they been genuine, would have revealed the secret which Europe for so many months has been anxious to find out. The alliance between France, Italy and Austria, which for a week or two past has been alleged with so much positiveness, is doubted by those generally considered the best informed. That the very best understanding between the Austrian and Italian Governments has grown up we have evidence enough to prove. The Austrian special agent has brought from the Emperor an acceptance of the invitation sent by VICTOR EMMANUEL for a meeting, and it is understood that it will take place at Trent before the close of the coming Summer. The Emperor's agent has been feasted and loaded with honors, and the King has given him a horse from his stables to carry back to Austria. I do not know how many ribbons and crosses of the everlasting order of St. Maurice and St. Lazarus. But prudent people here very naturally ask, what advantage is Italy to gain by any formal alliance with Austria, if such alliance there is, or is to be? Will Austria give up the Tyrol or Istria for any help that Italy can lend? And as for LOUIS NAPOLEON relinquishing his protection of the priests, none but half crazy enthusiasts think of it. Bishops have a value as well as bayonets, and they know it, and their power they are ready enough to exert when the interests of their order are menaced.

THE ROMAN QUESTION.

The Italians, the past week, have been examining documents taken from their *Libro Verde* concerning the Roman question; or, at least, that part of it which has to do with the retirement, for the second time, of the French military force. From what now comes to light, not much encouragement is given to the belief that there will be any immediate change in the situation, and it may prove to be as long a job getting the French out as it was before. The Government here, certainly, does not distress itself much about the matter, and would be willing to let it drop, for the present, quite out of notice, so as to give its exclusive attention to more pressing questions. But an influence is constantly exerted, and no rest is given by the party of action. It is pretty certain that the Pope may rely with confidence, not only upon French military support, but upon the presence of soldiers in the Pontifical territory as long as such occupation is desired.

ANNIVERSARY DAYS.

The municipality of Florence has voted the sum of 10,000 francs toward paying the expense of celebrating the fourth centenary of the birth of MACHIAVELLI. The old house in the Via Guicciardini, in which the Secretary was born, and which all who have visited Florence so well know, is to have a new monument built into its walls, and a new biography of the remarkable man is to be prepared at the public expense. This is rather an extraordinary year in Italy for anniversaries. The Machiavelli century comes round on the 3d of next month. That of NAPOLEON I. is to be celebrated at his birth place, in the Isle of Corsica, in August, when it is expected that all the members of the BONAPARTE family will be present. Tuscany is full of the traces of this stock, which is to all intents Italian, for at the little town of San Miniato, twenty miles from Florence, it had its origin. In the obscure church are found the earlier monuments of the family, and the Tuscans are not ashamed that the great Captain sprung from their gifted race. The splendid house, in a fine situation, which the Emperor NAPOLEON has built here in Florence, shows that the ancient connection is to be kept up. The eagle may fly to this perch if scared from its nest in the Tuileries, and the imperial eaglet, hardly yet fledged, here may pick up a few crumbs of nourishment and add some grains of force in the preparation for coming flight. Admirers of the BONAPARTES are found here, and some are hoping that at the time of the visit to Corsica the chief of the house may stray into Tuscany.

ITALIAN PALACES.

We have many comfortable and elegant houses in our cities, but we have not a single palace in all America. The space for a grand staircase in a first-class Italian palace is equal to the whole bulk of one or two London or New-York houses. Such a standard of proportions may serve to indicate their grand scale. As well as I know these vast historic houses of Italy, I was impressed more than usual the other day in looking for the first time into the Capponi Palace in Florence. Its great front has an extent equal to that of the Metropolitan Hotel, and each of its stories has an elevation equal to that of two of the floors of that lofty pile. It is hid in the retired street of San Sebastiano, and few strangers who visit Florence ever see it, or know that this noble house is among the finest monumental structures of this ancient capital. Italy is so rich in these symbols of its half-exhausted patrician life, that one who knows the country well passes them by with hardly a thought of the proud memories which hang around them.

The Marquis GINO CAPPONI is the present representative of one of the most illustrious families of Tuscany. The ancestor of the same name was the PIER CAPPONI, and was the one who, in the time of the mission of CHARLES, tore in pieces the letter of that Prince in presence of the messenger who bore it, and sent back a defiant reply. It is one of the passages in their history of which the Florentines are most proud, and it has been frequently illustrated in art. The present Marquis CAPPONI has almost reached the age of 80; but his great figure, more than six feet high, stands as erect as one of the stately towers of his native city. I am told by a contemporary enjoying an equally vigorous old age, that thirty or forty years ago CAPPONI was considered the finest-looking man in Florence, a city which has a reputation for handsome men. The Marquis CAPPONI has been blind for more than thirty years, but, with the aid of readers, he is able to enjoy the great collection of books with which his palace is enriched, and through his secretaries to keep up a correspondence with the most eminent men in Italy. His attention has been more directed to scientific and literary, than to political studies, but he has watched with interest and given his aid to the regeneration of Italy, and his sympathies with enterprises for public improvement are as lively as ever. CAPPONI has no children, and I believe was never married, and except the domestics of the establishment, he is almost alone in his enormous house. But society does not fail, for daily upon the superb staircase, upon which stand the statues of his ancestors, there is a procession of cultivated men.

It is rarely by sale, that the old palaces of Florence pass into the hands of others. But during the last week there has been an example of such transfer. The Bacciochi Palace has been purchased by Mr. JAMES EWING COOLEY, of New-York. This house was probably built before America was discovered to Europe by COLUMBUS. It forms a part of the vast Pitti Palace, built by the ancient family of that name. The dimensions of the portion of it now sold are about 110 by 140 feet, which figures will serve to give an idea of the extent of these houses. The ball-room, which would be rather a wonder in a private house in London or New-York, is forty by seventy feet, and forty-five feet high. The staircase, without being monumental, is of such gentle rise that it would be easy to make the ascent on horseback. Besides this there are four other staircases in the palace.

Large houses of recent construction are frequently sold. The palace on the "Lung Arno," built a few years ago by Madame RICHORI, has recently been purchased by the Marquis FRANZONI for 850,000 francs. It has never been to the actress a favorite place of residence; indeed, she could not very well occupy more than a corner of it, for it is not planned with the best judgment as concerns convenience or comfort. It has been rented in large divisions to foreign families—a custom not altogether uncommon here even with houses of considerable historic dignity.

MONUMENT TO CHERUBINI.

A monument to the Florentine composer CHERUBINI, is before long to be raised in Santa Croce. While this name has been honored in other capitals of the world, here little more has been done than to give it to a new street, and to a musical society. Florence has certainly done its part in furnishing talent of every kind to Italy and the rest of Europe. There are few streets in this city that have not at least one house on which a marble tablet records the fact that some artist or writer there first saw the light. But the more illustrious have claimed their niche in Santa Croce, and although often reluctantly, the demand has at last been respected. ANGELICO.

### AFFAIRS IN CUBA.

**General Dulce's Latest Proclamations—A Reply to M. Lemus—Stringent Internal Regulations—The Question of American Citizenship—Bright Future for Foreign Journalists in Havana.**

From Our Own Correspondent.

HAVANA, Saturday, April 17, 1869.

In another letter, I sent you a translation *in extenso* of the circular issued by M. LEMUS, President of the Central Republican Junta of Cuba and Porto Rico, and calling upon the Cubans to contribute funds in aid of the revolutionary cause. Having given our first attention to our ultra Republican friend, let us now turn it to General DULCE, and hear his answer to this proclamation:

CIRCULAR: A printed paper has been received through the mails, and is now circulating profusely, signed by JOSE MORALES LEMUS, President of the Central Republican Junta of Cuba and Porto Rico.

In the reading of this document are involved many important considerations which I, first and highest authority of this Spanish Province, and responsible to my country for the integrity of its territory, cannot allow to go by unnoticed.

The field is clear and the banner is displayed. Among the enemies of our country those are not the most to be feared who from mountain to mountain and from ridge to ridge shun to meet our soldiers; there is even some nobleness in their cowardice. They contend after their own mode of warfare, and at times stain the field with their blood. From the beginning they said where they were going, and proclaimed the independence of the country which gave birth to them; forgetting, it is true, that they are and will be Spaniards, against their own will, because language, religion, customs and the blood which runs in their veins constitute man's true country.

More culpable of the crime of treason are those who, with cringing humility and fawning hypocrisy, demanded political rights as the sole remedy for our discords, and responded when these were conceded to them with startling ingratitude.

Since that day their machinations have been the sole and exclusive object of my vigilance. Since that day I have followed their footsteps and sounded their intentions. With preventive measures I caused them to understand on one solemn occasion that their projects were not unknown to me. Powerless and blind, however, they have not maintained themselves in the limits of their habitual prudence, and they themselves with this document hasten to justify the measures already taken.

In that document, and realizing that which is recommended in it, its authors would secure for themselves mines of gold; they intend to frighten the timid, and flattering the instincts of the covetous, threaten those who, faithful to Spanish traditions, will never be guilty of perfidy or treason.

As you will understand neither respect to doctrines nor obedience to principles, now that the legal and administrative of our country is in secret of the future, will keep me in the path that the tranquillity of families and the security of property advise me to pursue.

The armed insurrection conquered, it is necessary that the severe application of certain laws should dry up the spring whence the secret instigators of a fratricidal contest draw their main resources.

I charge you, therefore, with the exercise of a prudent vigilance; let not boisterous professions of false patriotism render void the execution of the orders you have received, or those you will receive in future.

Whatever may be the omission or want of care on your part, it will impose on me the unpleasant duty of punishing for it with all the rigor of the law. DOMINGO DULCE.

HAVANA, April 15, 1869.

*Lieutenant-Governor:*

CIRCULAR: Under date of the 1st inst. I have forwarded to the Political Governor of this capital the following:

ILLUSTRIOUS SIR: You will proceed immediately to lay an embargo on all the goods and chattels of Jose Morales Lemus, Nestor Ponce de Leon, Manuel Casanova, Jose Mestre, Jose M. Basora, Jose Fernandez Criado, Antonio F. Bermosio, Jose Maria Mora, Ramon Aguirre, Javier Cisneros, Tomas Mora, Federico Mora, Federico Galres, Francisco Izquierdo, Plutarco Gonsales and Joaquin Delgado, possess or may have possessed in this Island. I send this to you for your information, and in order that you may proceed at once to lay an embargo of all the estates, real and personal, of those individuals referred to in the foregoing document. DOMINGO DULCE.

HAVANA, April 15, 1869.

FURTHER EDICTS.

General DULCE further says:

It is the duty of every Governor to provide for the security of the territory confided to his command. Revolutionized as is that of his province by an unjustifiable insurrection, at whose cry many of the rich districts are being ruined and depopulated, it is indispensably necessary to adopt all the precautions which may be needful to annihilate the enemies of our nationality, principally by depriving them of the resources upon which they may rely to continue their acts of aggression.

In this belief, and as it may occur that sales of property can be effected with illegal ends in view, (in which case such contracts are null, in conformity with the dispositions of our laws,) making use of the extraordinary faculties with which I am invested by the supreme Government of the nation, I decree the following:

ARTICLE 1. Contracts of sales of personal or real estate, before being effected, will be presented to the revision of the Government.

ART. 2. In order to comply with this disposition, the contracts made in the District of Havana will be presented at the Secretary's office of this superior political Government, and to the Governor and Lieutenant-Governor when the sales are effected in the other jurisdictions of the Island.

ART. 3. The presentation referred to will take place by the parties interested, when the contract is private, and by a notary when it relates to deeds, &c. Before its confirmation, will be exhibited, in the first instance, the original document, and in the second a draft of the deed.

ART. 4. Once vised by the Government, the contract cannot be altered or modified without a new revision by the authorities, under pain of nullifying the reform requested in case of infraction.

ART. 5. Sales of fruit and other articles of commerce for exportation, as well as the transfer of shares of anonymous societies, remain subject to the foregoing rule.

ART. 6. In those cases in which the sales to which the foregoing article refers are effected by the broker, the latter must present the contract in a mercantile form for its revision. If the broker should not intervene, the presentation of the document will be made by the contracting parties.

ART. 7. The officers of "anonymous" societies, and those including silent partners, and who, subject to the rules established, should authorize the transfer of shares on the books of the Company, shall not make such change until satisfied by the Government, to which end they will give account for all transfers which parties interested intend to effect, giving, in the communication which they make to the Government, the name and residence of the contracting parties and the number and value of the shares about to be transferred.

ART. 8. In order not to impede in any manner the sale of real and personal estate, or any mercantile transactions, the Government will consede or refuse its approval in the space of four days, and in the sale of fruits for exportation and shares in twenty-four hours, reckoning from the time of presenting the document.

ART. 9. All contracts and sales of property of all kinds effected without the previous sanction of the Government, will be null and void; and private individuals, merchants, brokers, presidents of anonymous societies, silent partners in companies and notaries, who may transgress any of the dispositions contained in this decree, will be subject to the penalties established by the penal code in those articles comprehended in the fifth chapter, title second of the second book.

DOMINGO DULCE.

HAVANA, 1st April, 1

## CONCORD.

**The Home of Hawthorne and Thoreau and Emerson—Thoreau's Successor—The New Hermit at Walden Pond—His Hut and His Life—His Singular Diet—Hawthorne's Grave—The Old Manse—Concord's People and Its Peculiarities—Mr. Channing.**

From Our Regular Correspondent.

BOSTON, Sunday, April 18, 1869.

A day in Concord can be made a red-letter day in one's life. Such a day we have just lived, my companion in tramps and I. And what we saw and heard in this place, whose name and beauties are so familiar to the readers of HAWTHORNE and THOREAU, and which is so pleasantly associated with them in our minds, is well worth the telling. We set foot in the town not long after 7, yesterday morning, and took foot out of it not long after 5, having exercised that important and valuable appendage most thoroughly and "done" the town to our complete satisfaction. We walked down to Walden Pond and about the woods that surround it, which formed THOREAU'S world of wonder and delight, and was HAWTHORNE'S favorite strolling-place, and is EMERSON'S now; we boarded the new hermit of the woods in his den; visited the reminders of the Revolutionary War, the skirmish ground and Concord River; reverently uncovered our heads at HAWTHORNE'S grave; glanced into the "Old Manse," and into what was HAWTHORNE'S last dwelling in this world; saw EMERSON'S house and THOREAU'S home; and talked with many of the Concord people about men and things in town, and gained thereby much choice note-book stock. We were most fortunate in our choice of a day. No better could we have had had the time been late May or early June, instead of mid-April. Imagine fleecy clouds, a warm, stiff breeze from the genial quarters, dustless paths, singing trees, bright sunshine, a refreshing half-hour shower, brighter sunshine and clearer clouds, and you have the elements that seemed to make our's a perfect Spring day.

### THOREAU'S SUCCESSOR.

We made for the pond and woods the first thing. Our main object was to hunt up the successor of THOREAU, the young man who is living a sort of hermit life, after the example of THOREAU, in a hut of his own making on the shore of the pond, studying books a little and Nature a good deal, and getting nourishment and strength from eating corn and meal three times a day and nothing else. We had heard that such a man was living such a life here, but about him we had learned but little, and of his whereabouts nothing definite whatever. The innkeeper—the only person we came across while strolling through the village, save one good-natured fellow whom we concluded was Mr. EMERSON'S Good Man Friday, for he seemed to be exercising a tender solicitude over the place of the "thrifty Sage of Concord," as if he loved his master full as well as his work—the innkeeper could tell us nothing about him, except that he was "a queer sort of a fellow, and lived somewhere down yonder hard by the pond; he guessed he didn't amount to much, and wouldn't see folks anyhow; and was starving himself on chicken's dough." Therefore we found it no easy task to find him, not unlike "hunting for a needle in a hay-mow," as the homely old phrase goes, but determined to accomplish it if the thing was possible. So we scoured the woods that skirt the pond, pushed our way through tangled bushes, and in and out of picturesque trees, over steep, slippery hills—for the woods are in great part of pine—and across serene valleys, coming now and then upon bits of landscape which would have charmed a painter's eye, and noting, as we passed along, the peculiarly rich deep-blue of the pond-water which THOREAU has noted and described before us. And finally, like good and faithful servants, we were rewarded with the fruits of our labor. Over across the pond, looking not unlike a pile of dirt with a hole in its front, and a thin curl of smoke coming out of its top, was the hut for which we were hunting. We had found our needle in the hay-mow. And now, at last on the trail, we make good progress, and soon brought up to the spot where the hut was placed. We came upon it suddenly, after all, notwithstanding our care not to break in upon the hermit's solitude too abruptly, and our intention to attack him carefully and skillfully. We knew we were at our journey's end by seeing right before us, not a quarter of a dozen yards distant, the rude hut and its occupant. They formed a pleasant picture. The hut is built of rough boards and boughs, faced by a small glass window and a glass and wood door, and banked up nearly to the top, except in front, with earth and turf. It is planted in one of the quietest and most picturesque spots about the pond, where the water makes up into a retired cove; the hills and woods around give protection from the cold winds, and the water-scape in front, framed by the trees, is beautiful indeed. In full view of the hermit, as we were, we had no chance to hold a council, so we made bold at once to address him. "Good morning, Sir. Can you tell us where Mr. THOREAU'S hut was situated?" That was a good question to open the heart of a disciple of THOREAU, if it could be opened, was it not? "A few paces to the rear of mine," he answered slowly, looking at us searchingly the while, and seemingly undetermined whether to be friendly or not. An awkward pause, we meanwhile taking as much of a look of the interior of the hut as we could and still remain "within the bounds of politeness." At length he ventured, hesitatingly, "I'm going out in a few moments, and if you'd like, I'll show you place." "We would, indeed," we replied. Another pause. I said, to draw him out a little more, "we have become somewhat interested in you by seeing a newspaper paragraph regarding your style of life here." "Yes," he replied, "some jackass saw fit to publish me." Another pause. And then, perhaps having concluded that our intentions were every way honorable, he changed his manner, looked up into our faces, and cordially invited us to enter his modest house. We accepted the invitation with alacrity, and found ourselves in a cosy and comfortable place. In one corner is a diminutive stove, upon which was then boiling a pot of corn; in another is a rough cupboard, and along one side the hermit's bed at night and desk at day. Over by the stove hung a sack of corn and a sack of meal, a "waffle-iron," a tin cup and a poker, and set up against the side of the house a rural broom, or a broom made of boughs, which, by the way, our friend was using when we came up to the hut, so that the floor was as clean and white as any country housewife's kitchen floor. And the walls were rudely adorned with bunches of leaves, highly-colored wings of birds, queer formations of bark, gnarled branches and Indian relics, the trophies of his walks. Entering into conversation we brought out our host by degrees, and found him a genial, pleasant gentleman, in spite of his oddities. We talked about THOREAU and about himself, his life in the woods and manner of living, and got his whole story freely given. He has been living here, we learned, for nearly six months. He built his house at a cost of a trifle over fifteen dollars, and he has lived comfortably and fared sumptuously at a monthly expense of just one dollar. His house has been so warm that water has not frozen in it at any time during the Winter, though he has had no fire during the nights, and while the pond by the door has been bound by ice the season through. He brought down with him from town, a sack of corn and a sack of meal, and has not yet exhausted his store. He generally boils his corn about seven hours, and eats it cold, as it comes out of the pot after the boiling, or varies the monotony by baking it into a hard waffle—hence the waffle-iron in the stove-corner. He says, now that his stomach is fitted for the corn and meal, "the only true food for man," it will receive nothing else, and he would starve on the "stuff that the so-called civilized people exist on." Once a lady in the village taking pity on him sent down to his den a loaf of bread of her own making. But he could not eat it. He could get no nourishment from it, although when he lived in town, and before he had learned the great goodness that he says is in the corn and meal diet, he would have considered it most delicious food. So he fed his rabbits and birds with the lady's gift, and she sent him no more. We asked him if he kept up with the times at all, and he replied that he did not, for he did not care much for what was going on outside. He didn't care to see any papers at all. His time was fully occupied. He had buried himself upon a certain work that he had laid out for the Winter, read a little, walked a good deal, studied the woods and the banks of the pond, and tamed the rabbits and the birds. He had quite a company of these who called regularly every day at his door for their food. He had calls for the birds, and some of them were so tame that they would light on his head, his face and his hand. He is now preparing to come out of his shell, for the Summer at least, (obliged by the force of circumstances, or in other words, business, to come back to the city.) And so he is educating his stomach to the great change it is to experience from the food of a wild life, as he expressed it, "to that of a wilder called civilized." When we had talked a quarter of an hour or so we started out for the promised walk. He pointed out to us many of the peculiarities of the woods and many pretty pictures, showing his keen perception, and how carefully he had studied his surroundings. Like THOREAU he seemed to have a great tondness for the trees, and to regard those who cut them down as his personal enemies. Passing by a freshly cleared spot, he remarked that there was recently one of the finest groups of trees in the woods, but "some avaricious farmer cut them down, thinking that they would better be in tubs and pails to soak old women's feet in." Reaching a well-worn path, he said: "This is mine, good-bye;" and we parted pleasantly. I trust the if he should chance to see these words about him, he will not think me "some jackass." We called on him in good faith, not so much to question him for the benefit of curious newspaper readers, but because we were really interested in himself and his ways, as we said we were. And I will assure him that my friend does honestly think of trying a hut-life for a few months, something like his, as he said, but with a diet what we of "the wilder life, the civilized," regard as more palatable, if not substantial, than corn and meal.

### HAWTHORNE.

HAWTHORNE'S grave, the Old Manse, and the last home of HAWTHORNE, will long be objects of the liveliest interest in Concord. The first is in the well-named village burying-ground, "Sleepy Hollow Cemetery." It is in a retired part of the cemetery, in the midst of a cluster of tall pine trees, on the brow of a picturesque hill. The spot was one of HAWTHORNE'S favorite resorts, and is an eminently fit place for the grave of such a man. Two modest marble slabs, one at the head of the grave and the other at the foot, bearing simply the name "HAWTHORNE," no date of birth or date of death, point out his body's resting-place. I recall his funeral. It was in June, '64, I believe, a perfect day. A host of literary people were present, including LONGFELLOW, HOLMES, LOWELL, EMERSON, FIELDS, WHIPPLE, ALCOTT and CHANNING. Rev. JAMES FREEMAN CLARKE conducted the quiet services, and a long procession of sorrowful mourners followed the author, poet, scholar and friend to the grave. There was no hearse or carriage, but the old friends and collaborers of HAWTHORNE tenderly bore his coffin between them. On his coffin was carried the manuscript of his last and unfinished romance, and his grave was filled with flowers. Directly opposite that of HAWTHORNE is THOREAU'S grave, the head-stone of which bears the words: "HENRY D. THOREAU, born July 12, 1817; died May 6, 1862." * * * The "Old Manse," Rev. Dr. RIPLEY'S parsonage-house, in which the "Mosses" was partially written, still makes a picture. The stately avenue of poplars is there, and, as when HAWTHORNE lived in it and wrote in it, so it remains. Its situation is romantic. Before it is the country road and the broad avenue leading therefrom to its door, on one side a generous field, and on the other the fine inclosed monument ground, and behind the Concord River. The descendants of old Dr. RIPLEY, who was pastor at Concord from 1778 to 1842, live in the Old Manse now. HAWTHORNE'S last home is desolate. It is on the old Boston road, over which the Britishers came in the Revolutionary days to inglorious defeat. Its singular tower, in which HAWTHORNE arranged his study, has often been described, and said by many, more enthusiastic than sensible, to have been the model for the tower in the "Marble Fawn." HAWTHORNE'S people are now living abroad, and so the house is empty and sad-looking, and in its windows is the placard, "For sale or to let."

### CONCORD PEOPLE, LITERARY AND OTHERWISE.

There seems to be but little life in Concord. We were in the town a good part of the day, but saw not more than half a dozen people and but little going on. The place was as quiet as most country towns on Sundays. Everything is still, quiet, serene. And this is doubtless the secret of its selection as a home by so many literary people; indeed, we read that "the quiet and repose of the place have made it a favorite with men of letters," and women, too. There is doubtless little sociability among the literary people of the place. They have no club, no meetings, no "conversations." I don't mean to say that they have nothing whatever to do with each other, but that they have no clique such as the literary people in Cambridge and this city have. Perhaps they are jealous of each other; or, more charitably, perhaps they have too much to do to cultivate each other. I found one thing, that Concord people do not appreciate each other. EMERSON tells us in his biographical sketch of THOREAU that "he was of short stature, firmly built, of light complexion, with strong, serious blue eyes, and a grave aspect—his face covered in the late years with a becoming beard." But a neighbor told us that he used to pass her door frequently, and she was always reminded of nothing else but an owl when she noticed him. He had a hooked nose, bushy, unkempt whiskers, and his eyes, big, round, sharp and piercing, looked out searchingly through his hair which hung over them. He was short and ungainly, and he had a stooping figure and a shuffling gait. And, she added, "I don't understand why his books should be so popular." Such is fame at home. The towns-people have a lyceum, and now and then EMERSON reads an essay before them. The people generally speak of him with awe, but all admit that he is a kind neighbor, a good citizen, and a pleasant conversationalist. The ALCOTTS, the venerable BRONSON, Miss LOUISA M., who is coming out so well in literature, and her sisters, are liked by all. They live in one of the prettiest cottages in the place, though Mr. ALCOTT adorned it with his own hands. But this letter must be closed. My notes are not half exhausted, but I might as well leave them here as anywhere. I should like to write something about the river and the monument grounds, and give a bit of experience in trying to get an interview with Mr. CHANNING, the other and the veteran hermit of Concord, and tell him we were made to give up our designs in his direction by the narration of the experience of one who had tried before us and was better armed than we, having a "letter of introduction." This gentleman went to the house in which Mr. CHANNING lives with an old housekeeper, and knocked for admission. The housekeeper coming to the door, he presented his credentials, and claimed an audience with Mr. CHANNING. Noticing the letter, she thought that perhaps her master would make this petitioner an exception to his rule, and so she let the gentleman into the entry-way, and went to announce him. But at that moment Mr. CHANNING appeared at the head of the stairs, and looking right into the eyes of his caller, he said: "Tell that person to go away. I don't want to see him." MUNROE.

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LONGEVITY.—We have learned a fact relative to the parents of Captain and Mrs. L. A. PIERCE, of Prospect-street, which we imagine has not its parallel in this city. The parents of Captain P., residing in Northern New-York, will reach the sixty-second anniversary of their marriage in October next, and Mr. and Mrs. BURTON, parents of Mrs. PIERCE, have passed the fifty-fourth year of their married life. The fiftieth anniversary of married life is an unusual event, but the instance is rare indeed where both branches of a family show such longevity as above noted.—*Cleveland Herald, April 21.*

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A Boston paper suggests that the election of Hon. HENRY L. DAWES as Governor of Massachusetts, would continue the alphabetical arrangement already commenced—as: ANDREW, BULLOCK, CLAFLIN, DAWES.

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

**The Congregationalist Homes in Boston.**

NEW-YORK, Thursday, April 22, 1869.

*To the Editor of the New-York Times:*

Many of your readers are doubtless familiar with the great work of MULLER, the founder of the Orphans' Home in England—a work which has stood as a beacon light, and as a visible proof of the power of faith in God, in supplying the means of carrying out benevolent designs for the relief of suffering humanity. Comparatively few, however, are aware that in our own land a work of similar charitable character has been successfully launched, and is now in its fifth year of practical operation, affording relief, both temporal and spiritual, and a comfortable home to many poor sufferers, whose poverty would else have thrown them upon the cold charities of an unsympathising, unfeeling world. We refer to the "Consumptive's Home," in Boston. The work was commenced by Dr. CHARLES CULLIS, a Christian physician, whose convictions of the necessity of such an institution were, after long and earnest prayer for light, so strongly impressed upon his mind that he devoted the entire income from his profession to its establishment. Commencing with a few patients in a single building, he continued to pray earnestly for means to enlarge the sphere of his usefulness; the prayer was answered—channels were opened and the means began to flow in, increasing from year to year to meet the necessities of the work. A Children's Home was instituted, and a systematic publication and distribution of religious matter entered upon. One of these, entitled *A Saviour for You*, has been greatly blessed as a means of bringing many poor souls to Christ. The report of the "Home" for the past year acknowledges the receipt of nearly twenty thousand dollars for these various objects. And when we consider that this is the work of a single individual, permitted thus to labor as an instrument for good in the Lord's vineyard, relying upon no fund, endowment, or other pecuniary provision for the support and maintenance of a work commenced and carried on in humble reliance upon God, we can but feel, with all faithful believers, that the Lord is not slack concerning His promises, that His ear is open to the cry of the humble. The report of the "Home" is published in simple journal form, narrating the Lord's dealings from day to day, and cannot but be read with interest by all who believe in a direct answer to prayer.

A WELL-WISHER TO THE CAUSE.

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**Legislative Corruption and Special Legislation.**

*To the Editor of the New-York Times:*

The *Evening Post*, in its zeal against special legislation, has become a champion of the corruptionists. In a leading editorial, on the 19th inst., the *Post* takes occasion to sneer at all efforts to improve the Bribery laws, and prescribes "general laws" as a specific against corruption. The men who propose to amend the Bribery laws are spoken of as "well meaning but weak," and as "both good and ignorant," as "stopping the way of reform." Let us examine a little into the wisdom and knowledge of this editor who so cheerfully assumes so great superiority over all "weak and ignorant" people.

"We have had a general Canal law for some years," says this sapient statesman of the *Post*. "Why not try a general Railroad law?" Why not, indeed? We have had a general Railroad law, as everybody not "weak and ignorant" knows, since the year 1850, and every steam railroad in the State organized since that time, has availed itself of this general law.

"Why not have a general Ferry law?" continues the oracle of the *Post*. Why not, indeed? A general Ferry law was passed in 1853, and is now in full force. Indeed, there is hardly any lawful business for which corporations may exist, that is not already provided for by general laws.

Why not, O "ignorant" editor, try to get some little information as to what laws you are living under, before you ventilate your own lack of knowledge in attempts to discourage legislation against bribery?

The *Post* says that "well-meaning but weak men have spent years in the contrivance of laws for the detection and punishment of bribery and corruption." His remarks show almost as much ignorance as those above quoted. The last law passed in this State against bribery was in 1853. There had been none passed previous to that time since the adoption of the Revised Statutes in 1829. No bill has been introduced on the subject since 1853, till this Winter. That, instead of being the product of "years" of labor and study, was perhaps too hastily prepared, and founded upon a principle which has long been advocated by the TIMES and other journals, and indorsed by the late Constitutional Convention. So much for the waste of time in "contriving" bribery laws.

That special legislation has its disadvantages, that it tends to mischief in many cases, no thoughtful man can deny. No man of sense, however, believes that it can ever be wholly dispensed with. Special necessities will and must sometimes be met by special laws. And the idea that bribery can be stopped by stopping "special legislation," is absurd. Money will be and often is spent just as freely to secure the passage or defeat of a general law or an amendment to a general law to meet a special exigency, as to secure the passage or defeat of a special act for the same purpose.

It is true that bribery and corruption cannot be abolished by any law on that subject. But is that any reason why we should have no laws against bribery, or why they should not be made as nearly perfect as possible?

A law has passed the Senate of this State, designed to render the detection and punishment of bribery less difficult. It was supported by the ablest and best men in that body; on its final passage it also received the votes of many Senators who did not wish it to pass, but who were afraid to record themselves against it. It is now pending in the Assembly; how it will fare there remains to be seen. Such articles as that of the *Post* will aid the corruptionists, and may enable them to defeat it. If it should become a law, it will not put a stop to bribery—that can be done only by reforming human nature, and making all legislators honest; but that it will tend to lessen this great and overwhelming evil, no man who takes pains to examine it can question, unless he is as ignorant of our laws and history as the man who was permitted, on this occasion, to disgrace the editorial chair of BRYANT and GODWIN. H.

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**Surplus Gold.**

*To the Editor of the New-York Times:*

NEW-YORK, Wednesday, April 21, 1869.

I was much surprised to see by a leader in your journal of this morning that you were under the impression that a late law prohibited the Secretary of the Treasury from relieving the community by using the surplus gold to reduce the five-twenty bonds.

The law you quote forbids him from redeeming or paying off said bonds before specie payments are restored. Of course he cannot do so at present; and even if there were no such law, it is hardly a supposable case that he would be so wanting in financial capacity as to desire to redeem or pay them off, (which of course means giving the holders thereof par,) when they are willing to exchange them for his gold in the open market at about 76 per cent.

Now what is there to prevent his adopting this latter course, against which there is no law, either human or divine? It would be working no injustice to anybody, for it would be only those who are now daily selling their bonds at the market price, who would exchange them for Treasury gold; no one could be forced to exchange, (that would be repudiation;) no one's rights would be invaded; and for every $760,000 of gold in the Treasury, $1,000,000 bonds could be obtained in exchange, and, the interest on the latter amount, *in gold*, be deducted from the weight now required to be laid on the suffering tax-payers.

It might not possibly be expedient for him to cancel or destroy such bonds as may be exchanged, but they might be retained in the Treasury in case some very unexpected and unlikely contingency should arise when the Government should require more money than is supplied by its revenues, in which event they might be again issued.

The present policy of the Government is working to defeat its own interests, as well as those of the community. The interests of both are, first, that the price of bonds should go up, and second, that gold should go down—now it virtually makes "a corner" in gold by hoarding an unnecessary surplus, thus playing into the hands of the speculators for a time, relieving them of the fear that they would other time have to carry their stocks, and then, through the whole land of the bonds, principal and interest, is accumulating, thereby forcing the people to carry a greater burden than is necessary.

I trust that you will publish this, in the hope of inviting further discussion of the above proposition, which may show that it is the best way to bring relief to A TAX-PAYER.

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## THE NEW-YORK DOCKS.

**A Comprehensive System of Docks for New-York—Commercial and Maritime Advantages—The London Docks Proposed as a Model—Their Value, Advantages, and Profit—An Opportunity for Large Capitalists.**

*To the Editor of the New-York Times:*

Why do not some of the Albany speculators and *speculators* who have met with such serious opposition in their efforts to secure a valuable railroad franchise for nothing, (or at such expenditure as will satisfy the rapacity of legislators,) turn their attention to that broader and no less profitable field, the construction of docks for this city? The railroads we do not absolutely need; the docks are a great necessity, and the public, to secure what they want, will consent to a little judicious and temperate swindling. It is evident by late demonstrations that they are not disposed to consent to wholesale plunder to obtain the railways which they do not want.

There is no port in the world more in need of good and extensive docks than that of New-York. Her present wharves and piers are unsightly objects, poorly constructed, broken down, rotten and dilapidated, not kept in repair, and unsafe from fire and thieves. These are minor objections compared to their extravagance. There is no great maritime city in the world which, in the construction of its piers, has been less economical of its vast water front than the port of New-York. The piers are scattered all along the river without order or arrangement. They are the simplest form of breakwater, and needless as such; mere wooden walls, the foundations of which rot away and the floors of which are worn away every few years. Annually large sums,—this year $200,000—are asked for from the State to repair them, when properly constructed docks would produce an income which would amply sustain themselves, and maintain an ample and effective river police. They are as inadequate as they are unfit to accommodate the commerce of the City. They are narrow as well as short, unprovided with gates for regulating the supply of water and counteracting the influences of the tides, and without mechanical contrivances of any kind for lifting and unloading. There is not a dry-dock in the country in which a vessel can save time and be cleaned while she is unloading or loading. The only basins are those of the dry-docks, and these are for the purpose only of getting the vessel out of the water instead of floating her securely within. The piers have no warehouses, no storage room. I do not know of a single bonded warehouse belonging to the Government which is attached to any dock, or which is below the level of the water. The warehouses are mere sheds, neither fire nor burglar-proof; on the contrary, the eye can detect in all New-York no more inviting objects to fire or thief than the warehouses and piers and ships in our harbor. Most of the docks have no protection for goods from the rain; tarpaulins are used very extensively, but these are no protection at all.

Every great port has had to utter this same complaint at some period of its existence; all have endured, while their destiny was not clearly manifest, the insecurity of bad piers and wharves; but New-York has shown less enterprise in remedying her deficiency in this regard than any city in the world. The thirteenth city and the fourth commercial port of the world, she is the last to consider one of the chiefest of her material interests, and perfect, by artificial aid, one of the finest natural harbors in existence.

These improvements must come in time, and naturally the sooner the better. There are some indications that the public spirit is aroused on the subject. The real estate interest in the upper part of the City has influenced Congress to some extent in the work of the removal of the Hell Gate rocks, and associations have been formed by owners for the improvement of the water front of the upper part of the City. The Legislature has lately authorized the construction of several piers, but no docks, on North River; "the New-York Pier and Warehousing Company," which has an appearance of being of the right complexion, has been incorporated, and a commission was lately ordered "to perfect some comprehensive system for the improvement of the docks, piers and bulkheads of the City." A thorough system needs to be developed, and this system should make the large, canal-like basins and docks such as exist at London, a *sine qua non*. An examination of these institutions will perhaps suggest to some the commercial value and great profit of this kind of dock.

The vast extent of the London docks can hardly be estimated with the eye, though, as ESQUIROS has said in his admirable volume on the port of London, they are marked out on the horizon by the forests of masts which tower over them. England has never risked her treasures in greater and more useful undertakings than these docks. The same difficulties and dangers which now affect the piers of New-York led to the construction of the docks of London. Before they were built, the ships which entered that port, as those which enter this, had no other places at which to discharge their merchandise than the wharves stretching along the banks of the river. These narrow platforms were heaped up with valuable goods, exposed to fire, and protected only at a high rate of insurance. On the other hand, the ships in the Thames, as in the Hudson and East Rivers, had to complain of an organized system of piracy. River thieves crept into the vessels at night, and favored by the darkness, as well as by the confusion which necessarily prevailed among ships crowded so closely together, carried off some portion of their cargo. The amount that was thus lost every year by the commerce of London I find estimated in 1793 at $2,500,000. What can the amount thus lost to New-York be at this time? Not less, I should say, recollecting the statement of a day or two ago that river thieves had actually stolen nine hogsheads of tallow. It is almost as wonderful an achievement as that of the inveterate thief who carried off a red-hot stove in lieu of anything else to steal.

In 1793 a plan was proposed preventing these robberies. This is ESQUIROS' statement, but I imagine the high rate of insurance and the necessity of remedying the obstructions to commerce and lessening the danger to property, as well as facilitating and cheapening the loading and unloading of vessels, were greater incentives. It was not, however, until August, 1802, that the first of the docks constructed were thrown open to trade under the name of the West India Docks. At first sight of them it seems as if the combined efforts of several generations would have been necessary to carry out works of the dimensions of the London docks; but, nevertheless, these immense basins are all of modern date—the oldest opened, as before stated, only sixty-seven years ago.

The West India Docks of London cost $7,000,000. The whole extent of them is surrounded by a high and thick wall, intended to protect the vessels laden with goods against any nocturnal depredators. Like all works of the same character, they consist of three distinct elements—the basins, the quays, and the warehouses. The advantage of these basins is, that being always filled with an equal quantity of still water, the vessels are sheltered from the rise and fall of the tide. Formerly large ships in process of unloading close to the bank were compelled to haul off into the stream at the ebb of the tide. Nothing, in fact, does so much to strain a large ship, especially when she is laden, as lying high and dry on the strand. Now a days these floating masses repose at their ease in their native element, without troubling about the ebb and flow of the tide. As the keel never touches the ground, vessels now have no cause for suffering from chafing on the hard shore. The success of the docks is easily explained if we only reflect a little on the value of these wooden houses, and the benefits which are conferred on them by these modern constructions. The quays intended to replace the former wharfs are vast granite jetties, on which is proudly spread out the merchandise unloaded from the vessels, or about to be shipped. Every ship has its place marked, and even numbered, on a stone on these wide esplanades. As to the warehouses, they are immense brick buildings, with windows closed with shutters or provided with many iron bars; their walls bristle with cranes and pulleys, which by means of chains armed with hooks, lay hold of the heavy bales and casks placed on the ground, and convey them to the upper floors of the edifice.

One portion of these docks is devoted to the importation, and another to the exportation, of goods, and this arrangement very much facilitates commercial transactions. Merchandise imported from distant countries, or which is the product of the manufactories of Great Britain, changes hands and passes from one *entrepôt* to the other, by virtue of a simple piece of paper, known under the name of a *dock-warrant*, which is afterward looked upon in the business world as one of the most certain documents of security that can be offered. The authority of the Dock Company guarantees also to some extent to the buyer the quality as well as the exact quantity of the goods sold. Another great advantage of these warehouses, in a commercial point of view, is that being placed under the inspection of the Custom-house officers, the merchant is not compelled, as he used often to be, to pay the duties at the moment the goods are landed. As long as the merchandise remains in the *entrepôts*, and does not depreciate in value, it answers for itself both to the Customs and also to the Dock Company for their charges. This last consideration appears to be the one that has most contributed to the development among our neighbors of the dock system. As the English—it is only doing them justice to say—know pretty well how to calculate, they reckon that the money they would have to pay into the hands of the Customs immediately after landing their goods, is much better deposited in their own pockets than in the Royal Treasury. Paying nothing to the Customs, the merchant is enabled to dispose of the funds which would otherwise revert to Government in other enterprises.

No one can fail to recognize the services which the construction of the docks has rendered to English commerce. Being surrounded by walls and submitted to an active supervision, they have thus guarded the goods from a system of pillage, accelerated the loading and unloading of cargoes, and facilitated the classification and sale of the produce. Another advantage is especially due to them—that they have brought business matters closer together by concentrating in one system navigation, railways and telegraph.

The East India Docks, made in 1804 to 1806, are situated at a very short distance from their West India compeers. Their walled-in inclosure is entered through a massive stone arch supported on heavy columns, and surmounted by an historical inscription. A black tablet inside points out the names of the newly-arrived vessels, as well as the jetty, quay, or basin where each may be found. These docks are like a town, and that without some information of this sort, a ship would be almost as difficult to find as the address of a merchant in certain parts of London. The line of quays is bounded on one side by the basins overtopped by masts, and on the other by sheds intended to receive the merchandise. These warehouses, which follow one another in succession, are built of wood, with tiled roofs, are lighted by loop-holes at intervals. In each room the cases or bales are ranged right and left in admirable order, a gangway being left open down the middle for the laborers. Behind these sheds there is another range of warehouses, solidly built of brick, and closed in with iron doors. The words "export" or "import," written in black letters, sufficiently indicate the two great divisions of these depots. The artificial basins of the East India Dock, being intended to take in very large ships, have in no part a less depth than twenty-three feet of water, in which vessels of every shape securely float.

In 1805 the London Docks were opened, situated between Wapping and Shadwell; they were intended to take in vessels laden with wine, brandy, tobacco, rice, &c. The ships are here crowded so closely together that it is with difficulty one can catch a sight of the dark and stagnant water.

The Saint Katherine's Docks, near the Tower of London, have been the most expensive yet constructed, but none pay better. In 1823 a wealthy company of merchants applied to the English Parliament for authority to commence making them. On a portion of the ground which it was proposed to buy, a hospital then stood—Saint Katherine's Hospital; it therefore became necessary to treat with the master and brethren of this charitable institution. They consented to move their location in consideration of a considerable indemnity, and an edifice of the same name was built for them at the east side of the Regent's Park, where it still stands. This was not the only obstacle that had to be overcome; 1,250 houses had to be pulled down, and 11,350 inhabitants had to be evicted. TELFOURD, the celebrated engineer, and HARDWICK, as architect, had the direction of the works. The most difficult part of the job was digging out the very hard soil, and then getting rid of the excavated earth. It was, after all, carried along the Thames to Millbank, where there were at that time some old reservoirs which needed filling up. So one basin served to do away with another.

The St. Katherine's Docks are the only docks where the vessels are able to enter and go out during the night. The warehouses are mostly built on pillars, and the ground floor forms a covered gallery like cloisters, under which goods are discharged, and the laborers can work sheltered from the weather. The characteristic, however, which most recommends these docks to the attention of the economist is, that they were the first of all these institutions to substitute a system of free trade for one of monopoly. The first establishments of the kind compelled all those vessels to enter their basins which traded with certain countries, or were laden with certain goods; but the St. Katherine's Dock Company left their fortunes entirely to the choice and convenience of the shipowners.

The Victoria Docks are eight or ten miles from London. The West India mail boats, large Russian vessels, ships laden with logwood, and other articles of commerce which are called bulky by the English, are the more frequent *habitués* of the Victoria Docks. The basins are edged by six large stone jetties, on which stand some large warehouses. There are sheds which are able to contain as much as 100,000 tons of guano, and the Victoria Docks are now the only place where they land this natural manure. But the system of loading and unloading here still more deserves our attention. A branch of the Eastern Counties Railway runs in a straight line right into the interior of the docks. The trucks can thus come close up to the basins where the steamships lie with their cargoes on their return from sea, or just ready to sail on a fresh voyage. In this way the transit of the merchandise from the water to the land, and *vice versa*, is nothing but a short change between two impulses of steam. This branch of the Eastern Counties Railway communicates, besides, with all the other railways in the Kingdom, and once set in motion, the commodities need not stop, or be shifted from the trucks they are in, until they arrive at their journey's end.

The London, St. Katherine and Victoria Docks have been lately combined under the same company. It is the grandest enterprise of the kind existing in the world. Its capital stock is formed by shares, and it is governed by a Board of Directors, who, being mostly merchants themselves, have a personal interest in reducing as much as possible the dock charges on imported and exported goods. At all events, from the 1st of January to the 30th of June, 1866, the net profits amounted to $694,645. The assets of the company in 1866 were reported officially at $48,202,745.

Some comprehensive system like this, elaborate, complete, and even costly docks like these described, are the necessities of New-York at this time; and it would seem from the experience of the English companies that capital cannot find a safer investment than in the construction and maintenance of docks for a port with an annually increasing commerce. It is certainly a subject worthy the attention of great capitalists. P.

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## OUR WORKING CLASSES.

**Preparations for the Coming "Strikes"—Important Statistics of the Workingmen's Unions in this City—Over 60,000 Workingmen Leagued Together.**

The preparations for the threatened strikes in the coming Summer are going on with redoubled vigor, and the compromises which we advised, and which we hoped might prevail, appear to be as remote as ever. There is not the slightest disposition to compromise evinced by either the employers or employes, and the fight must in all probability shortly ensue.

Our tables below give an exposition, as far as it is possible to do in figures and words, of the condition of the workingmen's unions of this City, and of their preparations for the threatened strikes. The organization of these unions for mutual protection began many years ago by the establishment of the Typographical Union, but the great majority of the trades had no unions until within the present decade. As we have before shown, the first incentive to union and consolidation on the part of the workingmen in this country was the fact that the manufacturing interests of the country were being consolidated and concentrated in the hands of the few richer employers of the country. This same knowledge actuates the workingmen still, and as the fact of the concentration of wealth in the hands of the rich employers becomes daily more clearly defined, the more positive becomes the action of the employes in this direction. The admission of Mr. SEWARD, in one of his latest speeches, that he and other large manufacturers in Rhode Island had succeeded in creating the monopolies they now control only by crushing out their smaller rivals has been a strong argument in the hands of the workingmen most active in perfecting the unions in this City; and repeated and urged upon the attention of others, it has been instrumental in adding largely to the strength of the unions. Indeed, our figures, completed a week ago, are believed at this time to represent considerably less than the full number of members of the unions enrolled. It is certain that they are not exaggerated.

For the better comprehension of the subject, we have divided the tables into five in number, representing: 1, Building Trades; 2, House-furnishing Trades; 3, Clothing Trades; 4, Printing and Publishing Trades; 5, Miscellaneous. In many instances the figures were not obtainable complete. It does not follow, therefore, that an omission in the column of bank account signifies that there is nothing to the credit of the unions.

I.—BUILDING TRADES.

| TRADES. | No. of unions in union. | Wages per week. 1860. | Wages per week. 1869. | Average increase of wages. | Average hours per week. | Bank account. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Bricklayers | 2,800 | $12@14 | $27@30 | 125 | | $6,500 |
| Brickmakers | 500 | 12@18 | 21@24 | 43 | | .... |
| Carpenters | 2,000 | 12@15 | 27@30 | 125 | | .... |
| Gas and Steam-fitters | 250 | 16 | 21 | 34 | 600 | |
| Hod carriers | 2,500 | 9@10 | 16@18 | 80 | | .... |
| House smiths | 440 | 12@18 | 24@30 | 80 | 1,000 | |
| Marble cutters | 250 | 15@18 | 24@30 | 60 | 1,000 | |
| Marble polishers | 300 | 8@10 | 18@18 | 90 | 400 | |
| Marble rubbers | 150 | 16@18 | 21@24 | 40 | | .... |
| Masons | 800 | 16@12 | 27@30 | 150 | | .... |
| Painters | 1,300 | 12 | 21@24 | 90 | 2,500 | |
| Plasterers | 600 | 12@14 | 30@33 | 140 | 6,000 | |
| Plumbers | 600 | 12@15 | 18@24 | 32 | | .... |
| Quarrymen | 1,500 | 8@10 | 18@18 | 90 | | .... |
| Roofers, slate | 55 | 12@14 | 27@30 | 125 | 800 | |
| Roofers, tin | 250 | 10@12 | 18@24 | 100 | | .... |
| Sawyers | 250 | 12@18 | 18@20 | 50 | | .... |
| Stair-builders | 250 | 12@16 | 22@27 | 80 | | .... |
| Stone cutters, blue | 200 | 15@18 | 20@24 | 33 | 1,500 | |
| Stone cutters, brown | 400 | 12@18 | 27@30 | 80 | | .... |
| Stone rubbers | 300 | 12@15 | 18@18 | 35 | 800 | |
| Totals | 16,375 | | | 82 | $20,000 | |

II.—HOUSE-FURNISHING TRADES.

| TRADES. | No. of unions in union. | Wages per week. 1860. | Wages per week. 1869. | Average increase of wages. | Bank account. |
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| Cabinetmakers | 2,500 | $7@10 | $18@20 | 100 | $3,000 |
| Carvers and gilders | 947 | 12@18 | 25@30 | 110 | .... |
| Cutlers | .... | 9@13 | 18@22 | 65 | .... |
| Jewelers | 1,000 | 12 | 25 | 110 | .... |
| Paper hangers | 500 | 7@12 | 15@18 | 65 | 700 |
| Paper stainers | .... | 12 | 18 | 50 | .... |
| Piano-case makers | .... | .... | .... | .. | .... |
| Piano finishers | 800 | 12@14 | 20@25 | 65 | .... |
| Piano finishers | 450 | 15@18 | 20@30 | 35 | .... |
| Piano-key makers | 500 | 10@12 | 18@20 | 80 | 1,304 |
| Piano machinists | .... | .... | 20 | .. | .... |
| Piano regulators | 200 | 15@18 | 20@30 | 35 | .... |
| Piano sawyers and planers | .... | .... | 18@25 | .. | .... |
| Picture-frame makers | 1,500 | 10@15 | 18@22 | 50 | .... |
| Silversmiths | 400 | 12 | 15@18 | 50 | .... |
| Table and chair makers | .... | 7@12 | 20@25 | 100 | .... |
| Trunkmakers | 500 | 9@12 | 14@18 | 50 | .... |
| Upholsterers | .... | 10@14 | 20@25 | 75 | .... |
| Varnishers and polishers | 450 | 12@15 | 20@25 | 60 | 700 |
| Watch-case engravers | .... | 15@20 | 27@30 | 70 | .

# WASHINGTON.

## The Final Adjournment of the Extra Session of the Senate.

### Investigation Regarding the Publication of the Hale-Perry Correspondence.

### The Personal Difficulty Between Senators Sprague and Abbott.

### Neither Gentleman Yet Inclined to Resort to Pistols.

### List of Nominations which Were Not Confirmed by the Senate.

Special Dispatches to the New-York Times.

WASHINGTON, Friday, April 23.

The Executive Session of the Senate came to an end at 1:30 o'clock this morning. Thirty-one nominations remained to be acted on, but there were objections to most of them, and on motion of Senator BUCKNER, the adjournment was carried by one majority. As stated in these dispatches last evening, CARLISLE was at first confirmed without a division. Shortly afterward Mr. SUMNER moved a reconsideration merely for the purpose, as he said, of having a record of his confirmation. The vote on the reconsideration was twenty-seven to twenty-five. Some of CARLISLE's friends voted for it, and his name was again put back on the calendar. This was about 1 o'clock, and in half an hour afterward the adjournment took place. A. H. MARKLAND was reported by the Committee, but his name was not reached last night. It is reported that the President has been officially informed that there was no opposition to him in the Committee, and it is believed to-night that the President will commission him as Third Assistant Postmaster-General, for which he was nominated, in a short time. Messrs. KELLY and MCKELRATH were not reported by the Committee. Mr. HUTCHINSON, nominated for the Sandwich Islands Mission, was reported by Mr. SUMNER without a recommendation, and he was laid on the table. General FILE was rejected by a vote of 25 to 21, as follows: Yeas—Messrs. Bowman, Brownlow, Carpenter, Chandler, Cole, Corbett, Drake, Harlan, Howard, Kellogg, Nye, Pomeroy, Pratt, Ramsey, Rice, Schurz, Thayer, Tipton, Willey, Williams, Yates—21. Nays—Messrs. Abbott, Anthony, Bayard, Cameron, Cattell, Casserly, Cragin, Davis, Fowler, Gilbert, Harris, McCreery, McDonald, Patterson, Pool, Ross, Sawyer, Scott, Spencer, Sprague, Stockton, Sumner, Trumbull, Warner, Wilson—25. The above list was taken to the President this morning by a Senator who went to see him in reference to the matter. The papers of General FILE making application for the Mission were sent for, and among the Senators indorsing him as a fit person for the office were found five of those who voted against his confirmation. They are Messrs. CRAGIN, HARRIS, MCDONALD, PATTERSON and WILSON. It is stated to-night on good authority that the President will appoint General FILE to some less important Mission, and it is also understood that letters of appointment will be issued to Mr. CARLISLE for probably the Brazilian Mission.

MAIL CONTRACTS.

General SMITH, the Second Assistant Postmaster-General, intends to vigorously enforce the law compelling mail contractors to faithfully and fully perform their contract stipulations. To this end he has issued an order to the clerks of the Inspection division of the Post Office Department directing them in future to see that the letter of the various contracts is strictly adhered to, and to report all failures in the performance of mail service. The penalties for neglect are to be fully enforced, and no evasion of the laws, rules and regulations of the Department will be allowed to go unpunished.

PACIFIC RAILROAD COMMISSIONERS.

The names of the Commissioners to examine the Pacific Railroads will be announced by the President in a few days. The composition of the Boards has been already determined on, and the gentlemen composing them belong principally to the engineer profession.

THE PATENT OFFICE.

Secretary COX has under consideration at the present time the subject of the reorganization of the Patent Office force and business, and intends to make several changes. In the Department he has ordered an investigation into the political antecedents of the examiners of patents, and will not hesitate to make such changes as may be desirable.

DEPARTURE OF SENATORS.

A large number of Senators and Representatives have already left the city, and it is probable that all will have gone to their homes by the end of the week. Messrs. Bayard, Brownlow, Conkling, Edmunds, Ferry, Hamilton, Hamlin, Howe, McCreery, Morrill, Norton, Pratt, Scott, Vickers and Willey were among to-day's departures. Mr. SUMNER leaves next week, and Gen. BUTLER on Sunday. Senator MORTON will remain for some days longer. The Pacific slope Senators will leave in a few weeks.

SALES OF GOLD.

The Secretary of the Treasury is now prepared to receive proposals for the purchase of gold according to the terms of his advertisement. These sales will be made from week to week according as the interest of the debt and the public service may require without the slightest regard whatever to the condition of the gold market. Mr. BOUTWELL is said to have stated that the sooner the gold men understood this fact the better. The Secretary is not yet prepared to say exactly what amounts he can sell, but the average will be about $1,000,000 per week. During some weeks it may not be one-half that amount, and occasionally it may run as high as a million and a half. Mr. BOUTWELL left town to-night for his home. He will be absent for about a week, and will be in New-York on Thursday next.

THE ANNEXATION OF CUBA.

The feeling in Cabinet circles relative to the annexation of Cuba does not appear to be very strong, and there is not the slightest ground for the supposition that the President is anxious for an extension of our territory in that direction. One of the strongest arguments against the annexation of the island is in the fact that the United States derives a revenue of thirty-six millions annually from duties on imports from that country alone. In the event of annexation there would be exactly a deficit to this amount, which would go a good way toward wiping out our surplus. All the talk on this question appears to be in the interest of some large importers, and the Government is looked on in exactly this light by influential parties here.

SENATORS SPRAGUE AND ABBOTT.

Mr. SPRAGUE and Mr. ABBOTT have not yet exchanged shots. Neither one has sent a challenge to the other up to this writing, nearly 11 o'clock P. M. The scene in the Senate last night, and the expected commencement of actual hostilities, has been the sensation topic of to-day. At an early hour this morning it was rumored that a personal encounter had taken place between the two gentlemen, but it is needless to say that there was no truth in it. ABBOTT is about twice the size and weight of SPRAGUE, and although the world generally sympathizes with the weaker side, the rule appears to be reversed in this instance. All sorts of stories have been put in circulation in reference to the principals. Now it is that SPRAGUE was seen going to the Post Office with a big stick and a bigger scunpanion by way of guard, and, *presto!* ABBOTT is in another part of the city with a new cowhide. One of the TIMES' Washington staff visited Mr. SPRAGUE this morning, and found him—to use a pugilistic term—"serenely confident." "I have," said Mr. SPRAGUE, "remained at home all the morning, expecting to hear from Mr. ABBOTT; but he has not sent me a line, and no friend of his has pulled the bell-knob." Here Mr. SPRAGUE laughed heartily. He appears to regard the matter as a huge joke, and treats it as such.

Mr. SPRAGUE was induced to enter into conversation on other topics, more especially the subject of his recent speeches in the Senate. He is evidently very earnest in the course he is pursuing, and is sincerely convinced that he is rendering the country a great service. He talks very freely about Rhode Island political matters, and is very bitter in his denunciation of political opponents there. BURNSIDE, he claims, was elected Governor by his (SPRAGUE'S) influence and his money. He announced his intention to persevere in his course, and to renew the warfare he has commenced next Winter. The *Congressional Globe* of this morning contains about twelve columns of letters to him, indorsing his views and asking him for copies of his speeches for personal and distribution, and an extra paper will be printed to-morrow containing about three times as many.

THE HALE-PERRY CORRESPONDENCE.

There was a brief discussion in the Executive Session of the Senate last night, on the subject of the publication of the Hale-Perry correspondence. Senator CRAGIN was anxious that the Committee should be empowered to test the question of the right of newspapers to publish secret documents with impunity, but the matter was not pursued further. The present case will, in all probability, be allowed to go by default, but from the feeling manifested last night it is very probable that the question will arise in some shape during the next session of Congress, when there will be a settlement of it some way or the other.

THE EIGHT-HOUR LAW.

Senator WILSON addressed a letter to the Secretary of War on the 20th of the month, explaining the Eight-hour law, and giving what he believed to be the true interpretation of its provisions. He quotes largely from the debate on the subject, the spirit of which he holds was directly the reverse of the construction which has been put on it by the Attorney-General. This letter will be given to the Press in a few days. The opinion of the Attorney-General is the subject of much comment here to-night and a great deal of dissatisfaction exists among the Government employes who are affected by its operation. The Secretary of the Navy has issued a circular to the commandants of navy-yards, directing them to make a reduction of wages in proportion to the reduction of working hours.

OUR MINISTER TO CHINA.

Mr. W. A. HOWARD, the new Minister to China, will receive his instructions in a few days. They will have a direct reference to the treaty recently negotiated between that country and the United States.

Dispatches to the Associated Press.

WASHINGTON, Friday, April 23.

NOMINATIONS NOT ACTED UPON.

The following is an official list of the nominations which were not acted upon by the Senate:

John H. Hutchinson to be Minister Resident at Hawaiian Islands.

A. H. Markland, Third Assistant Postmaster General.

James L. Foley, Secretary of Legation at Madrid.

Digby V. Bell, Consul at Goderich.

De B. Randolph Keim, Consul at Kin-Kiang.

George W. Swift, Consul at Windsor.

Frank M. Pixley, United States Attorney for California.

John A. Pratt, Assessor of Internal Revenue for the Ninth District, Kentucky.

Jos. P. Morse, Pension Agent at Portsmouth, N. C.

Anton Newstadt, Assessor of Internal Revenue for the Twelfth District, Illinois.

Jonathan C. Willis, Collector of Internal Revenue for the Eighteenth District, Illinois.

William A. Davis, Receiver of Public Moneys at Stockton, Cal.

Addison Low, Supervising Inspector of Steamboats for the Second District.

Joseph V. Schofield, Consul at Hakodadi.

George A. Houghton, Supervising Inspector of Steamboats, Sixth District.

Thomas McKirath, Appraiser of Merchandise for New-York.

*Postmasters.*

James Kelly, at New-York; Robert A. Smith, Honesdale, Penn.; Jackson M. Ross, Abingdon, Va.; Chas. P. Wheeler, at Enfaula, Ala.; Mrs. Adeline Livingston, Greenville, Ala.; Joseph Hall, Oconto, Wis.; John J. Hazerling, Greenburg, Ind.; Joseph Ferrier, Jeffersonville, Ind.; George M. Hewlett, Cedar Rapids, Iowa; John Burgdofit, Hollidaysburg, Penn.; Fred. Ball, Lagrange, Ga.; C. E. Olin, Waukesha, Wis.; A. W. Caldwell, Rome, Ga.; James McKean, Mercer, Penn.; W. N. Morrison, Cedar Falls, Iowa.

Major CHARLES E. MIX, who has been Chief Clerk, and frequently acting as Commissioner of Indian Affairs, for thirty-three years, has been removed, and is succeeded by WM. B. WAUGH, of Maryland. The former retires on the 1st of May.

THE EIGHT-HOUR QUESTION.

Attorney-General HOAR, under date of April 21, 1869, in reply to a letter from the Secretary of the Navy, gives the following opinion:

*Hon. A. E. Borie, Secretary of the Navy:*

SIR: I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 24 of April, 1869, in which you ask my opinion upon the true meaning and effect of the act of Congress approved June 25, 1868, which fixes the number of hours constituting a day's work of laborers, workmen, and mechanics in the employment of the United States, taken in connection with the act of July 15, 1862, which provides that section eight of the act of July 31, 1861, to promote the efficiency of the navy, approved Dec. 21, 1861, be amended so as to read as follows: "That the hours of labor and the rate of wages of employes in the navy-yards shall conform, as nearly as is consistent with the public interest, with those of private establishments in the immediate vicinity of the respective yards, to be determined by the Commandants of the navy-yards, subject to the approval and revision of the Secretary of the Navy."

In reply I have the honor to state that the whole subject was fully considered, in the opinion of my predecessor, Mr. EVARTS, by the President on the 25th of November, 1868, which I beg leave to refer you, and I see no reasons to differ from my opinion, the statute of June 25, 1868, has nothing to do with compensations to be paid to workmen in navy-yards, and places that to be determined under the provisions of the act of July 15, 1862. The provision that eight hours shall constitute a day's labor has no tendency to show whether the days labor thus established shall be paid at a lower or higher rate than a day of ten hours' labor at the same rate. The rate of compensation is still left by the law to be determined under the rule prescribed by the statute of July 15, 1862, so as to conform, as nearly as consistent with the public interest, with those of private establishments in the immediate vicinity of the respective yards to be determined by the Commandants of navy-yards, subject to the approval and revision of the Secretary of the Navy. If private establishments in the neighborhood employed their hands five hours a day only, there obviously would be no justice in reducing the wages of those employed in navy-yards for eight hours to the amount paid by the day in private establishments, and the law intended no such result. On the other hand, I find nothing in the statute which requires you to pay the same price for eight hours' labor which private establishments pay for ten or twelve hours. The amount of service tendered or quality of the work make the fewer hours in navy-yards equivalent in value to the longer time hired in private establishments, or for some other reason such is consistent with the public interest.

Very respectfully, your obedient servant,

E. R. HOAR, Attorney-General.

In consequence of the above opinion the Secretary of the Navy sends the following circular letter to commandants of navy-yards and stations:

NAVY DEPARTMENT, WASHINGTON, D. C., April 23, 1869.

SIR: The act of Congress approved June 25, 1868, constitutes eight hours a day's work for all laborers, workmen and mechanics employed in behalf of the Government. While this act establishing the length of a day's work, Congress omitted to repeal the act of July 15, 1862, requiring the wages of employes in the navy-yards to conform as nearly as consistent with the public interest with those of private establishments in the immediate vicinity of the yards. Until these laws are repealed the Department must abide by them. The Department has no authority to extend the hours of labor by making more than eight hours a day's work, but it has the right to employ mechanics, workmen and laborers on shorter hours, and to pay them pro rata for such work as they may do. When the interest of the service exists for extra labor you are at liberty to exercise your discretion in the matter so as to aid the working classes, and at the same time to do justice to the Government.

Very respectfully,

(Signed) A. E. BORIE,

Secretary of the Navy.

Senator WILSON has addressed a letter to the Secretary of War, dissenting from the official construction placed upon the Eight-hour law. He maintains, first, that the law was passed in answer to the numerous petitions of mechanics and workingmen employed in the Government establishments; secondly, that it was the intention of Congress to fully meet their views; and, thirdly, the law was plain upon the subject. The letter will probably be published.

REVENUE STAMPS.

Commissioner DELANO has decided with regard to affixing and canceling internal revenue stamps that in all cases where an adhesive stamp shall hereafter be used, except as may be otherwise provided, the person making and delivering, or giving the instrument, matter or thing to be taxed, shall affix the stamp, that the entire surface of such stamp shall be exposed to view, and shall cancel the same by writing with ink upon each stamp, or by some mechanical means as the Commissioner may hereafter require, in order that such canceled stamp cannot again be used. The stamp-tax of stamps for spirits and tobacco will remain as heretofore prescribed. The Commissioner calls the attention of officers to the provisions of the act imposing a fine and punishment for using adhesive stamps which have already been used.

THE CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH TROUBLES.

The troubles in the Congregational Church have been amicably arranged. Dr. BOYNTON has resigned, and about 125 members have taken letters to a new People's Church with free seats, of which Dr. BOYNTON will be pastor. The others remain in the present church building with General HOWARD. Satisfactory arrangements were made regarding the property.

A BANK PRESIDENT SENT TO THE PENITENTIARY.

LEONARD HUTCH, President of the late Mechanics' National Bank of this city, who was convicted of a larceny of bonds to the amount of $12,000, was to-day called for sentence; and on being asked if he had anything to say, stated that the bonds in question were given to him as collateral security. Exceptions having been taken by his counsel, the Court sentenced him to two years in the Penitentiary at Albany, to take effect thirty days after the expiration of the next term of the Court in General Term.

PERSONAL.

Commissioner of Indian Affairs PARKER will enter upon his duties next Monday, instead the 1st of May, as originally intended.

Appointments will soon be made of persons to take the place of the two Friends who were rejected last night by the Senate as Indian Agents.

CUSTOMS RECEIPTS.

The following were the customs receipts from April 12 to April 17, inclusive:

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| At Boston | $[illegible] |
| At New-York | 2,337,095 |
| At Philadelphia | 164,007 |
| At Baltimore | 165,304 |
| At San Francisco, from March 15 to 30 | 124,124 |
| Total | $2,[illegible] |

## THE HALE-PERRY CORRESPONDENCE.

### Speech of Mr. Cragin, in Executive Session of the Senate, in Defence of Mr. Hale.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Friday, April 23.

In Executive Session of the Senate April 15, 1869, the injunction of secrecy having been removed by order of the Senate, Mr. CRAGIN introduced a resolution in Executive Session for the appointment of a Committee of three Senators to inquire how and through whose instrumentality the correspondence between the State Department and JOHN P. HALE, Minister to Spain, and HORATIO J. PERRY, Secretary of Legation, or any other part thereof printed in confidence for the use of the Senate, was made public, and made the following remarks thereon:

Mr. PRESIDENT: I hope this resolution will be adopted. For some time past, many things that have transpired in Executive Session, which by our rules are considered secret, have, in some way, become public. So flagrant had this abuse become that a few weeks ago, and especially when the correspondence referred to in this resolution was ordered to be printed in confidence for the use of the Senate, special attention was called to the abuse, and all were cautioned to observe the rules of the Senate upon this subject, and not allow their correspondence, or any part thereof, to be made public. In spite of this caution, and in disregard of the manifest propriety of the case, a portion of this correspondence was published in the New-York *Tribune*, and thereby probably great injustice has been done to a distinguished man, and the honor and veracity of the Senate has been impeached. There were some special reasons why this correspondence should not have been made public. The resolution of the Senate calling for this correspondence was adopted in open session on the first day of March last, and it will be observed that the letter of Mr. PERRY which has been published was written at Madrid March 2, the day following, the day when the resolution was passed by this body. Whether Mr. PERRY knew of the passage of such a resolution had passed, I know not, but for some reasons the State Department delayed an answer to the Senate resolution until the letter of Mr. PERRY, dated March 2, 1869, and accompanying documents were received and included in the correspondence submitted. At the time this call was made for correspondence the letter of Mr. PERRY, which has been published, was not in the State Department, and did not arrive there until some twenty days thereafter. I have others to comment upon this feature of the case, but it seems to me that a portion of Mr. PERRY'S letter of March 2, should have suggested to the State Department the impropriety of including this letter and accompanying documents in copies of the correspondence sent to the Senate. Mr. PERRY in the letter referred to, says: "It was understood that I was not at liberty to print these documents, seeing that the Spanish Government had declared the affair settled, and had no wish to revive it. But I was authorized to use them confidentially with my own Government if at any time it should become necessary for my own defence." Of course, it is not to be presumed that the State Department intentionally waited for this letter, and then deemed it necessary to send it to the Senate for the defence of Mr. PERRY. That part of this correspondence which has been made public involves the character of a man long in the public service and distinguished for leadership in a noble cause. Mr. HALE is a citizen of the State which I in part represent in this Chamber, and was my immediate predecessor. For sixteen years he occupied a seat in the United States Senate, and there are now honorable members here who served with him in his Senatorial capacity. I believe there is a kindly remembrance of him here, and that deep regret is felt that anything should be charged against him implicating his official or personal character. I certainly felt the deepest regret upon this subject. I believe this regret will be felt by many citizens of the United States who have sympathized and labored with this distinguished man in the cause of liberty and human progress. I admit that some parts of this correspondence seem to implicate Mr. HALE in wrong-doing, but I fully believe that when he is permitted to be heard in his own defence and gives his version of the transaction, all that now seems wrong will vanish and leave him spotless. I believe that it will turn out that he made no other use of his "diplomatic franchise" than to furnish his own house. He may have exchanged goods introduced free of duty for goods obtained in Madrid for that purpose. I have no idea that the transaction extended any further than this. Mr. HALE is not the man to enter into any improper transactions for the sake of gain, for it is not in his nature so to do; and I will further venture to predict that it will turn out that whatever was done by Mr. HALE was advised by the man who now accuses him. I appeal to honorable Senators, some of whom know him in this Chamber, and to all who love fair play, to suspend their judgment on these charges until Mr. HALE can have a chance to defend himself. If my voice could reach the country I would appeal to the people to do the same thing. This threat at the close of the letter of Mr. PERRY is intended to poison hearts in his native State. He has many life-long and ardent friends there, and they will regard any stain upon his reputation as reflecting upon them and their State. They will expect me to defend him, and to insist that he have a chance to defend himself against this, as I believe, unjust accusation. This I have done to the best of my ability, at all times and in all places, without any prompting. As a duty I owe to a personal friend, as well as an unknown and loved citizen of New-York State (Mr. PATTERSON), Mr. President, I would not detain the Senate to add a word to what my colleague has so well said, had not the surreptitious publication of the confidential correspondence with the State Department of our Minister at Secretary of Spain, by a paper which a grateful remembrance of common labors and sacrifices in a great cause should have rendered jealous of the reputation of Mr. HALE, cast an irreparable stain upon the record, and an irremovable sorrow into the history of this distinguished man, and my State who has given thirty years of honorable public service to the nation in the most eventful period of its history. This correspondence was printed for the exclusive use of the Senate, a public body, and is a violation of the confidence of that body, and is a wrong done to Mr. HALE, for which there can be no excuse or palliation. There is a domain, Sir, into which even the enterprise of the Press has no right to enter. To trifle with the character and reputation of men upon whom the public confidence and the responsibilities of high office in a popular Government tends to the subversion of public morals. It weakens the efficiency of Government by destroying the confidence of the people in those who administer it. We read and go to sleep on the repetition of official dishonesty and wrong-doing, when proved to exist; but we cannot afford to feed a morbid appetite for scandal upon fictitious delinquencies of public men, for it tends to make against the very evils which it depicts and deprecates. Corruption is ofttimes fostered by the very society through the instrumentality of a reckless Press which shows a fiendish predilection for the evil rather than the good which men do. While we visit just retribution upon the betrayal of public trust, we should defend against unjust and malicious attacks the character for good of those men who reign that the nation, and especially of those who have grown old in its service. Their reputation, Sir, is a part of the government. Some of the Republics and should be cherished as such. The men who will come after us to labor and achieve greater achievements, and a still nobler national life, We do not assume the innocence of Mr. HALE, but we protest that his reputation, resting upon a life of noble service, shall not be blasted by a prejudgment of his case upon ex parte evidence, without his having an opportunity to know and answer the charges which are brought against him. Sir, this is due to him and to the people of New-Hampshire, who for so many years gave him their confidence and support, and who feel this as a direct blow to the fair fame of the State. We do not assume the character of his accuser. He, too, is a son of New-Hampshire, who went abroad in early manhood in search of health. He left behind him a good name, and carried with him the respect of those who knew him. He knows the language and the public men of Spain, and is familiar with its diplomatic and political history. He has done some good service to the country in the past, for which we should be grateful. Where the wrong lies in this controversy we will not now decide without hearing the full record. Our Congressional delegation have asked, as a thing of simple justice, that Mr. HALE should be permitted to remain in office till he can make his own defence to the Department which has received and published the charges which his subordinate has made against him. This modest and reasonable request is denied by sending here the name of a successor. This is not the even-handed justice we should desire for ourselves. Sir, there are men here who know Mr. HALE. There are men here who struggled with him against the extension and the arrogant power of the slave oligarchy when it required manhood and inflexible principle to stand unmoved upon the floor of the Senate. You can never forget with what a masterly hand he touched at times every chord in the hearts of freemen, and denounced as he denounced the wrongs and outrages of slavery. Pathos, logic and wit are his, and all at the command of a noble instinct. Sir! Has he shrunk to the dimensions of a small peculator upon the Government to which he was accordoled? It cannot be possible. He has gone in and out as man and boy, before the people of his native State, for sixty years, without guile. To-day he is beloved and respected by his neighbors and friends, who will welcome him back with kindness and with honors. Let us who have succeeded to the responsibilities which he sustained upon this floor with no ordinary ability, defend his right and our own against unjust attacks. The interest of the country cannot suffer by the delay, which I ask in the cause of truth and justice.

The resolution of Mr. CRAGIN was agreed to, and Messrs. CRAGIN, TRUMBULL and STOCKTON were appointed the Committee of Investigation.

# THE FRESHET.

### The Flood in Black River—Breaking of State Dams—Great Destruction of Property—The Connecticut River Falling.

WATERTOWN, N. Y., Friday, April 23.

The flood continues with unabated violence. The scene of destruction are indescribable. Black River, a place six miles above here, has lost a chair factory, a saw-mill, a dwelling and an iron bridge, costing seven or eight thousand dollars. As the upper dam in Watertown, Mr. DOUGHERTY'S saw-mill, Messrs. WILSON & STEWART'S wagon factory, and MIERS'S tannery, with the flume and bulkhead for all are, swept away, and REMINGTON'S magnificent flume has been loosened from the rock to which it was bolted, for over seventy feet. A hole was broken through, and much damage done to it. They have anchored it to the shore with strong cables, and hope to hold the timbers from floating out. At the next dam below, BAGLEY & SWELL'S iron foundry and machine shop has been assailed to-day with fresh violence. A boom on the upper dam, holding several acres of timber and flood-wood, which came down the river, broke and swept down the stream, carrying in its destructive course one of the buildings of BAGLEY & SWELL; it broke a huge hole in the underpinning of another, and it is believed will crumble it to pieces. One pier of the railroad bridge on the Ogdensburg branch has been taken out. Lower down, on another branch of the river, DOUGHERTY'S grist-mill has been torn down and swept away, and KIMBALL'S barley mills broken into and considerably damaged.

Coming down into the city, the ruin wrought furnished a sad spectacle. The dam and magnificent flume that fed VANAME & SMITH'S cabinet factory, HOWARD'S machine shop, KNOWLTON BROTHERS' paper mill, LORD'S plow and mowing machine factory, HADCOCK'S ax factory, GOODRICH'S sash and door factory, the Union Flouring Mills, the Jefferson Flouring Mills, CASE'S sash and door factory, BLOWT'S planing mill, and the DAVIS Sewing Machine Company's furnace and machine shop was swept out, leaving that branch of the river a scene of ruin. LORD'S factory building has been torn down, and HADCOCK'S ax factory almost entirely destroyed. Mr. LORD'S loss is the heaviest in amount.

MOULTON & HERRICK'S mill, just below the Union, on another dam, is completely undermined and hangs over the river's brink with cables to hold it from falling in. KNOWLTON BROTHERS had just raised the foundation for an extension to their paper mill. There are scarcely any signs of it left. BICHOS' wool-carding and cloth-dressing factory had one building taken away. WHATBERRY'S saw mill went with it, leaving FLYNN & FULLER'S grist mill to receive the force of the flood, whereby they were greatly damaged. FARWELL & BAKER'S tannery, just below, has been riddled. The stock was taken out and saved.

At Brownville and Dexter losses are reported, but their extent is unknown. It is said to have been produced in part by the giving away of the State dam in the John Brown woods, which was constructed to hold the water of a chain of lakes. The sight up and down the river resembles the Long Sue or the Lachine Rapids, on the St. Law rence.

UTICA, Friday, April 23.

The State dam at North Lake Reservoir, covering about 300 acres, gave way on Wednesday night, and destroyed mills and other property amounting to $100,000. The dam was located about forty miles northeast of Utica. The engineers have frequently reported the dam unsafe. The natural freshet was receding when the dam gave way.

ALBANY, Friday, April 23.

The inundation here continues, the water having receded only about two feet.

All the railroads to this point are now running regularly. The Central and Hudson River Roads are in good order.

POUGHKEEPSIE, Friday, April 23.

Trains were obliged to cease crossing by the Pile Bridge, two miles south of Albany, on the Hudson River Road, until 9 o'clock this morning. No other part of the road was damaged.

Trains on all the roads are now beginning to run regularly. The Montreal train will come in to-night.

BUFFALO, Friday, April 23.

All trains for New-York over the Central Road leave on time to-day.

HARTFORD, Conn., Friday, April 23.

The flood on the Connecticut here reached its highest point at noon to-day. The water at the time was twenty-six feet eight inches above low-water mark, which has been exceeded on only four occasions in seventy years; in 1801, 27 feet 8 inches; in 1807, 27 feet 2 inches; in 1854, 30 feet; in 1857, 28 feet 8 inches. The water is now falling very slowly. Front, Commerce, and other streets near the river, are flooded, and business there is suspended, and must be for several days. There is a break in the causeway on the East Hartford side, so that travel on the highway is suspended. The track of the Hartford, Providence and Fishkill Railroad is under water for a short distance, but trains pass regularly. There is no delay in trains on the New-York and Boston route via this city. The damage to causeway bridge will be about $5,000. The loss to the business men in the flooded district will be quite large.

WINDSOR LOCKS, Conn., Friday, April 23.

A portion of the canal supplying the manufactories of this place gave way yesterday, in consequence of the high water in the Connecticut, and all operations will be suspended for a month, or until the canal is repaired. Three hundred operatives are thrown out of employment.

MONTREAL, Friday, April 23.

The ice begins to move out of the river last night, and the water is rapidly subsiding, being now four or five feet below the wharf wall. Griffintown is again left dry, but terribly disagreeable. Danville, St. Hyacinth and St. Andrews are badly flooded. Two men were drowned at the latter place. At Longueuil several houses were swept away and two men were drowned; also two men were drowned at Upton. The Grand Trunk embankment between Waterville and Lennoxville is washed away.

The ship *Glenfar* arrived at Quebec this morning.

Thirty-two members of St. Philip's P. E. Church, in Mulberry-street, (colored,) were confirmed last evening. Bishop PAUL presided, assisted by Rev. R. J. [illegible], Rev. [illegible], Rev. M. F. LUMSDEN, [illegible], and Rev. JOHN FRANCIS, of St. Philip's.

# TELEGRAMS.

## Final Termination of the Civil War in Japan.

## The Spanish Cortes Guarantees the Liberty of the Press.

## The Right of the People to Assemble in Public Admitted.

### JAPAN.

**The Civil War Ended—The Mikado the Temporal and Spiritual Head of the Government.**

WASHINGTON, Friday, April 23.

The following was received to-day from Rear-Admiral Bowan, dated flagship *Pocanogan*, Hong Kong, Feb. 24:

"I have the pleasure to inform the Department that the civil war in Japan is ended, and that peace now reigns in that country. The Mikado is acknowledged to be the temporal as well as spiritual head of the Government; AIZUE, the leader of the rebellion, is said to be imprisoned for life, and other warrior Princes have been ordered to confine themselves to their castles or houses."

### SPAIN.

**The Liberty of the Press and Freedom of Public Meeting Guaranteed.**

MADRID, Friday, April 23.

The debate in the Constituent Cortes on the new Constitution was continued yesterday and the article relating to newspapers, &c., was finally disposed of. An amendment for establishing a moderate censorship of the Press was rejected, and the original provision guaranteeing liberty of the Press, the freedom of meeting and association, and the right of petition, was carried by a large majority. It is expected that the duties on cotton and coal will be abolished by the Government.

### PRUSSIA.

**Count Von Bismarck Opposed to Printing Public Documents.**

BERLIN, Friday, April 23.

In the Prussian Diet yesterday Count VON BISMARCK opposed a proposition for the publication of the official Blue Books, but consented to lay the public documents before the Diet if the members insisted on seeing them.

### RUSSIA.

**Prospects for Opening of Navigation on the Neva.**

ST. PETERSBURG, Friday, April 23.

The ice on the Neva is breaking up, and navigation will soon be reopened.

### CUBA.

**Confiscation of Property of Disloyal Citizens—Volunteers for the Government.**

HAVANA, Friday, April 23.

The Government at Madrid has ordered that the proceeds of the property of disloyal parties, confiscated in Cuba, be applied to defray the expenses of the war.

A manifesto is published in the *Gaceta*, signed by a large number of native Cubans, and influential and wealthy planters, and others, residents of the jurisdiction of Villa Clara, offering their personal services and property to assist the Government in suppressing the rebellion, and condemning the acts of the revolutionists in the strongest terms.

The Havana Government disapproves of the proposed fusion of the Bahia and Havana Railroad Companies.

A Court-martial is now engaged in trying the cases of LAUZA and MEADINE.

### KENTUCKY.

**A Fatal Shooting Affray in Louisville—Accident to Workmen.**

LOUISVILLE, Friday, April 23.

A fatal shooting affray took place at 8 o'clock this evening in the gaming saloon at No. 102 Fifth-street, between two river pilots, named JOSEPH CROXTON and BEN. MILLER. CROXTON entered the saloon in a state of intoxication, and approaching MILLER, who was sitting near one of the tables, drew a revolver and fired as MILLER was about to turn his face, the ball taking effect in the shoulder. A violent scuffle ensued, during which MILLER endeavored to save himself by using chairs. CROXTON fired two more shots, which proved fatal, and MILLER expired. CROXTON and MILLER had been intimate friends; but lately some misunderstanding had taken place between them, which ended in the shocking manner described. CROXTON was arrested and committed.

Two workmen employed at the cement mill below Jeffersonville, Ind., while digging a ditch, were buried by the caving in of the embankment. One of them was instantly killed, and the other badly wounded.

There has been much excitement in the Board of Trade for the past two days, occasioned by the discovery that the corn in several of the elevators and warehouses here was heating. The heating is believed to be due to the condition of the corn when brought into the market and the effect of the recent storms, and it is feared that nearly all the corn now in the city will soon be in the same condition. A meeting of the Executive Committee of the Board of Trade was held this afternoon to take action upon the matter, and after much discussion, from the tenor of which it would seem most of the speakers were sellers, the following resolution was passed:

Resolved, That the delivery of warehouse receipts at the city elevator shall commence a full delivery for all cash sales of regular new corn made yesterday, the 22d inst., if delivered or tendered on that day, and also sales of "seller the month," which were tendered yesterday, but not thereafter.

Strong efforts were made to put in other contracts, but the Board refused to allow them.

On Sunday last five children belonging to the families of J. CRESWELL and JOHN WARNSCOTT, living near Gratz, Ky., were poisoned by eating wild carrot. The son of Mr. WARNSCOTT, aged 12 years, died after having about forty hard convulsions. The remaining four children, belonging to Mr. CRESWELL, are still alive, but in a critical condition.

**Governor Burnside Declines a Public Reception in Rhode Island—His Answer to Senator Sprague.**

PROVIDENCE, R. I., Friday, April 23.

An address to Governor BURNSIDE, expressing indignation at the assaults made upon himself and the officers and soldiers who first volunteered from this State, by Senator SPRAGUE, and inviting the Governor to meet his friends at a public reception in this city, has been signed by about five thousand citizens. Governor BURNSIDE has replied to the address, declining for the present a public reception, and going on at some length to point out what he calls the untruths in Senator SPRAGUE'S aspersions on the Rhode Island regiments, and quoting the Senator's official documents in vindication of himself.

**The Whisky Irregularities in New-Orleans.**

NEW-ORLEANS, Friday, April 23.

The revenue officers have released all the whisky seized on Wednesday, but will continue their investigations on the suspected irregularities.

The jury to-day acquitted Auditor WICKLIFFE on the first indictment for extortion. Nine other indictments remain to be tried.

**Meeting of Cuban Sympathizers in New-Orleans.**

NEW-ORLEANS, Friday, April 23.

A number of Cubans and Cuban sympathizers held a meeting to-night, and afterward paraded the streets in a torchlight procession, carrying the United States and Cuban insurgent flags. They surrounded the newspaper offices. Among the signers of the call for the meeting was Mr. DUMAS, the newly-appointed Minister to Liberia. A number of colored men were in the procession.

**Counterfeiter Killed by a St. Louis Officer—The Odd Fellows' Celebration.**

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Friday, April 23.

A notorious counterfeiter, named LOUIS DALLMAN, was shot and killed by a policeman to-day while attempting to escape arrest. He fired four shots at the policeman, but without effect.

Mayor COLE has issued a proclamation requesting the general suspension of business between the hours of 2 and 5 o'clock on Monday, the 26th, so that all persons may participate in, or witness the celebration of the semi-centennial anniversary of American Odd Fellowship. Very extensive arrangements for the celebration are in progress, and it is expected that it will be a grand affair. Several thousand members of the Order will be here from abroad. Hon. WILLIAM WALLACE, of Indiana, will be the orator of the occasion.

**Army Changes in Kentucky—Murderous Affray.**

CINCINNATI, Friday, April 23.

Captain BOWEN, Thirty-fifth Infantry, has relieved Lieutenant JACOBS, Thirty-sixth Infantry, as Quartermaster of Newport Barracks, and the latter is ordered to his regiment. Lieutenant KING, First Artillery, relieves Lieutenant FITZGERALD, Ninth Infantry, as receiving officer at the same post.

CYRUS COFFMAN, in a quarrel yesterday, back of Newport, cut and nearly killed W. H. MCCONNACK with a hatchet.

SUSAN CHRISTIE, 35 years of age, committed suicide by drowning herself in a cistern last night, at Fort Wayne, Ind. Mental derangement is supposed to have been the cause.

**Another Victim of the Baltimore Fire—Odd Fellows' Grand Lodge Election.**

BALTIMORE, Md., Friday, April 23.

JAMES M. SOMMERS, a fireman, who was injured by the falling of the wall in McClellan's alley, died last evening. He was one of the party buried in the ruins and rescued after 2 o'clock on Sunday morning. While buried in the burning ruins he displayed the greatest fortitude, encouraging his fellow sufferers, and directing those engaged in moving the falling timbers how to proceed. He was a glass-cutter, and aged 22 years.

The Grand Lodge of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, of Maryland, have elected the following officers:

Samuel Snowden, R. W. G. M.; Alexander L. Spear, R. W. Deputy G. M.; Ralph Lynch, R. W. G. W.; Joseph B. Excaville, R. W. G. S.; R. Marley, R. W. Grand Treasurer; S. L. King, Grand Chaplain; S. Sands Mills, Grand Marshal.

**The Canadian Government and a New Reciprocity Treaty.**

OTTAWA, Friday, April 23.

In Parliament last night, in reply to Mr. YOUNG, the Premier said it was not true that the Government had employed any person to act on its behalf to endeavor to secure the passage of a new Reciprocity Treaty by Congress. A dispatch from the Imperial Government had been received, which, with any other papers, would be submitted.

PORT COLBORNE, Canada, Friday, April 23.

The propellers *City of Toledo*, *Cleveland*, *Akron* and *Prairie State* arrived here at noon to-day. They report coming through ten miles of ice since yesterday morning. The propellers *City of Concord* and *Dominion*, bound out, have passed through the ice and sailed. A large fleet of vessels are here, waiting for a northern wind. The break in the embankment at Dunnville will not affect the Welland Canal.

**Mr. Garfield Nominated to Congress from Wash

## SPIRITUAL PHOTOGRAPHY.

**Continuation of the Mumler Investigation—Interesting Testimony—Goblins of all Sorts.**

The excitement of Wednesday last, attendant on the examination into the charges preferred against WILLIAM H. MUMLER, the photographer of alleged disembodied spirits, who is accused of obtaining money from the public by fraud, trick and device, was in nowise lessened on the occasion of the second day's investigation, which took place yesterday. Long before Justice DOWLING assumed his seat on the Bench at the Special Sessions Court-room, the anxious spectators and auditors had occupied every available place therein, and impatiently awaited the opening of the proceedings. The attendant crowd was made up of the same motley and heterogeneous classes that were present on Wednesday. Nearly all the same faces were recognizable as on the former occasion among the professed adherents of the spiritual doctrine, and they manifested their delight whenever testimony was given by the witnesses, which seemed, even in a proximate degree, to lean toward the prisoner, or to bear affirmatively upon the identification of the goblin forms said to have been photographed in company with such as, from curiosity, or other motive, sat for their pictures. Not the least interesting study in this particular was the change which, over and anon, came over the physiognomies of the women who are ever and lambs in the spiritual fold. Some of these were staid, matronly-looking females, whose desire for exploring into the mysteries of what the Spiritualists very prettily term the "Summer land" would not be suspected by reason of any facial indices. Others, again, were elderly maidens, the sharp outlines of whose pale faces and whose lack-lustre eyes, evinced the fact that constant study and meditation respecting "ethereal essences" and the "intelligences" had worn down their physical natures in a remarkable degree. Judging from the appearance of some of these, it would not require the intervention of preturnatural means in order to make ghosts of them while they still maintain their corporeal natures. This may seem slightly paradoxical; but the reader will please bear in mind that we are dealing with a subject that is full of paradox, as well as phenomena. At all events, if the theory of spiritual progression be true, many of these ladies may console themselves with the reflection that they are "getting on finely," for, so far as an unbeliever's vision can determine, they are are in a fair way to become goblins without undergoing the inconvenience of shuffling off this mortal coil.

It must be confessed, however, that there was present, also, a sprinkling of more youthful maidens, whom one could wish might always remain as pretty and enticing as they are to-day—where appearance is concerned, they are made to suit the ideas of moneyworshiping materialists, and the changing of whom into shadowy forms and impalpable essences, no matter of what spiritualistic grade, is by no means amiss to be pleasurably entertained. The Spiritists of the male gender were generally those whose attendance at the District Court on Wednesday filled the room with a cold and clammy atmosphere, and whose generally shaggy, hirsute appendages marked them as belonging to the select crowd who are on excellent terms with the shades of those of high and low degree, who have long since departed on, "the other side," for special favor, keep them fully posted as to operations in the "Happy Land of Canaan." The countenances of these expressed a peculiar contentment yesterday morning; so much so, that their presence under the circumstances, recalled to mind the lines of COLERIDGE:

"I thought that I had died in sleep,
And was a blessed ghost."

MUMLER sat near his counsel, Messrs. TOWNSEND, DAY and BAKER, and aided them considerably by suggesting questions to be asked of witnesses, especially when experts in photography were being examined. Messrs. GERRY and CURRY appeared for the prosecution. At 2:30 o'clock Justice DOWLING took his place and the proceedings began.

Mr. Gerry recalled Mr. Paul Remond, who testified on Wednesday, simply to inquire as to the date when he visited the prisoner's gallery to be photographed. Mr. Remond said the visit to Mumler was taken during the latter part of February, and the photographs were given to him in the early part of March of this year.

Dr. Phineas Quimby, being called, as his first witness, *David A. Hopkins*, who testified that he resided in New-York, that by occupation he was a manufacturer of railway machinery, and that he was connected with the firm of Hopkins & Farley—saw Mr. Mumler sitting for his picture on the 10th of March last; was in his gallery for the purpose of being photographed; saw Mr. Gray there; I sat for a picture; when I went into the room, think Mr. Gray was there; the proposition was that he would warrant me a spirit-picture; he said he could not; that he never did warrant any such thing to any one; I went up stairs and saw Mumler; asked him the same question; he said he could not; he said that I would get a spirit-picture; that sometimes parties got them, and sometimes not; I got a picture having on it a shadowy form along with my likeness; I can identify of the spirit form no person known to me during life; I thought, when I went to the gallery, that Mumler was a fraud; I thought that there was something done to indicate fraud; I could observe nothing peculiar about his actions when the picture was being taken, except that he put his hand on the camera; I watched his hand during the time, and I knew that he removed it; I showed the picture to my family and others; they all recognized the shadowy form; it was that of a lady of my acquaintance who has been dead about eight months. (Picture shown and put in evidence.)

*Cross-examined*—Never had my photograph taken before; was in the daguerreian business about twenty-two years ago; I was led to visit Mumler's gallery because I thought I could detect the fraud perpetrated, if there was any; I cannot say that I am an expert in photography.

Q—Do you believe that the disembodied spirits of the departed revisit the earth? A—I cannot say that I am a spiritualist in the general acceptation of the term; this I believe that doctrine to some extent.

Q—To what religious denomination, or sect, do you belong? A—To no particular sect.

Q—But you believe in spiritualism to some extent? A—The Bible (pointing to one of the Judge's desk) is full of spiritualism. As a Christian I believe in it, or else throw away the Bible altogether.

Q—Do you think spirits are material, or immaterial? A—Well, I think that they have a form of some material as those that appeared in the days of Lot, when one of them sat down and ate a good, square substantial meal. [Laughter.]

Q—Of what particular grade of Spiritualists do you belong? A—I cannot say; my belief is simply this: I believe that Jesus Christ was the most perfect specimen of creation!

Q—Are you a man? A—Yes, as man, and also as God.

Q—Where did you know this purported spirit when in life? A—She lived in the house with my wife's sister; there is a photograph of her in Brooklyn; it is in her brother's possession; I have never seen her prior to visiting Mumler's gallery; when I took the spirit picture over to Brooklyn, the family there recognized the likeness; I did not tell them, on showing it, whom I thought it was; I merely said that it was a lady; some anybody whom it resembled, they all named the lady whose likeness I say it is.

*Benjamin F. Gilley*, sworn—Resides at No. 193 Smith-street, Brooklyn; is a photographer by profession; have been six years in business in New-York, at No. 629 Broadway; was in business there prior to March last; it is in the same line of business I now conduct; I know Mr. Mumler; first saw him in November last; I was then no believer in spiritualism; he called to make an arrangement with me to take photographs on shares; I did not make any with him; I have not been in business there since the 5th of last March; I sat to Mr. Mumler for a picture in November; did so as a skeptic; had no faith in spirit photography; I went for my picture; I was present when it was taken the spirit form of my mother was on it; cannot say that I am a spiritualist, even yet; Mumler purchased the use of my materials from me; when my picture was taken, I prepared all the materials and developed the picture; I furnished the materials in taking the photograph; am satisfied he could not have manipulated my materials in any way conducive to fraud, between the time when I first saw him and when the picture was taken; I never lost sight of the frames taken by Mr. Mumler; watched him closely while taking them; stood beside him from the beginning to the end of the process; could detect no fraud; I developed the plate myself; Mumler was present when I did so; he walked away; a form other than that of my mother was on the plate.

*Cross-examined*—I believe that spirit pictures are sometimes taken; think they are produced by supernatural means; I visited the Novelty Works; Mumler's shop is between twenty and fifty feet distant; this hence here eliminated the witness that testimony so very indistinct was individuals. Whereupon Mr. Gerry, for the prosecution, said: "I very much doubt, judge, from the answer as to the degree of dependence which may be placed on the statements of the witness." Mr. Mumler was then called upon to inform as to the number of persons who came up stairs to inform us that persons were waiting for pictures; she very readily identified the ages of the persons with the aid of a memorandum; the memorandum to Mr. Mumler on such days was given generally mentioned whether she was a man or woman in waking was a lady or gentleman.

To the Counsel, Mumler generally gave a ticket, having a number on it to persons desiring to be photographed; this ticket would give to Mr. Mumler; it showed that the one who was entitled to a sitting.

*To Mr. Gerry*—The number on the ticket corresponded to a number on the book down stairs; the applicants were numbered in the order of their applications; examined the pictures in the camera when my picture was taken, and other pictures; I did not see anything there except that behind the chair I never closed the slide on occasions when spirit forms were photographed; there was a chair behind me; I sat on a chair; I never tried the experiment of the first sitting; I took about 50 photographs during the time Mumler was employed by Mr. Gray.

*Re-direct*—We took the plates in a solution of potash and nitric acid, to clean them; on occasion in cleaning the plates have I noticed any forms on them; on such occasions I have seen spirit forms; I have seen them myself. (The witness here detailed Mr. Mumler's duties in the gallery, the object of the evidence being to prove that there was no collusion between Mumler and myself in relation to taking any of those pictures; on cross-examined I said for a picture, I sat for the purpose of having an accurate picture taken, but in order to test some collodion we had purchased; I developed the plate myself; Mumler was not present when I did so; he walked away; a form other than that of my mother was on the plate.)

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Stockwell et al. vs. Hunter, Jr.; motion to correct report denied.

The people of the State vs. The New-York College of Dentistry; motion granted.

Jones vs. Trust; judgment and assessment set aside; no costs.

People ex rel. vs. Pinkerton; motion denied.

Meyer vs. The National Express and Transportation Company; motion denied.

Towle vs. Wainwright; upon stipulating to withdraw the plea of usury, the default is opened on payment of $5 costs. Defendant also to stipulate to plead, &c.

Baker vs. Switzer; motion denied. Costs to abide the event.

Foster et al. vs. The Merchants' National Bank of Rome Rock; bill taxed.

Silberstein vs. Monash et al.; motion granted and receiver appointed.

Smith vs. Board; a copy of the charge and original requests must be submitted to me.

Greenhall vs. Terry; motion denied.

Palmer vs. Palmer; time to answer has not yet expired.

Taylor vs. Taylor; decree granted.

Taylor vs. Taylor et al.; motion granted.

Scott et al. vs. Fisher et al.; motion denied without costs.

*By Judge Sutherland.*

The Washington Life Insurance Company vs. Hannah M. Lawrence et al.; order settled.

## COURT OF GENERAL SESSIONS.

*Before Judge Bedford.*

BURGLARY.

John Kesler was indicted for burglary, being charged with entering the premises of Mr. Keil, No. 283 Pearl-street, and taking money and watches from the safe and money drawer. Mr. Keil, told how he missed the property, and finding pawn-tickets in Kesler's pockets he went to Blackwell's Island, where the prisoner was confined on another charge, and accused him of taking the property. The prisoner confessed the theft. The jury, after a half an hour's retirement, brought in a verdict of "guilty." The Judge not being convinced himself of the prisoner's guilt, inflicted the light punishment of one year's imprisonment.

William Dugan was accused of being a pick-pocket and of practicing his profession on Mr. Corcoran on the 20th of March. Mr. Corcoran, who is a driver on the Third-avenue railroad, stated that Dugan came up to him in the street, embraced him enthusiastically saying "Old fellow, how are you?" and then walked off. A few minutes after the embrace he missed his watch. Officer The Whitman said he arrested the defendant and searched him, but found no watch on him. He stated also that the defendant had been a policeman and resigned to go to the war, where he served three years. The jury brought in a verdict of "not guilty."

*Francis McKee* swore that he was with Dugan when he met Corcoran, and that Dugan did not embrace Corcoran, did not touch him, but merely "passed the time of day." The Witness had had three drinks before the encounter, and subsequently got drunk.

Three or four witnesses of respectable appearance testified to the prisoner's good character.

In view of the conflicting evidence and the good character proved by the prisoner, the jury brought a verdict of "not guilty."

Judge Bedford said he was brought to the bar on an indictment for grand larceny. He pleaded guilty to an attempt. Judgment was suspended on condition that the prisoner should show a good character and pay for the stolen goods.

John Locker was tried on an indictment for a burglary, said to have been committed at the house of Mr. Wolms, No. 251 Henry-street, on the 10th of March. Mr. Wolms swore that he left the premises early in the evening of the day mentioned his house was entered and three watches and a revolver, besides some jewelry, were taken. The property was found at Locker's house.

*Bernard Carlin* said that he knew of his own knowledge that one Winkler committed the burglary and took the property to the house of Mr. Locker, his brother-in-law. It was evident that the witness was himself concerned in the burglary. The prisoner's employer, a manufacturing jeweler, testified that he had employed him for fifteen years, and had constantly trusted him with valuable goods and money. The jury brought a verdict of "not guilty."

The Court was adjourned to Monday.

## POLICE COURTS.

*The Tombs—Hogan, Justice.*

LARCENY OF MONEY.

On the 29th of last March Charles A. Ring found himself in company with a friend of his, a driver of one of the American Union Express wagons. During one of the driver's frequent absences after parcels Ring took the liberty of driving off with the equipage, which contained a package of money valued at $600 in. He abandoned the wagon soon after and absconded with the money. He was only arrested a few days ago, at the village of Three Rivers, Mich., by Officer Hayden, of that State, who traced him from place to place in obedience to telegraphic orders. He was arraigned before the Magistrate yesterday and fully committed for trial, on complaint of Joseph S. Meyers, of No. 115 Broadway. Ring is a native of Canada and has resided at No. 3 Charlton-street, and confessed his guilt.

LARCENY BY A SERVANT.

Mrs. Frances Sproul, of No. 128 Franklin-street, caused the arrest of Julia Wilson, her domestic, yesterday, on a charge of having stolen a quantity of household goods, valued at $40. Officer McCormack, of the Sixth Precinct, found Julia in possession of the missing property, and as she confessed her guilt, the Magistrate held her for trial.

BURGLARY BY AN EMPLOYE.

Detective Tilly, of the Third Ward, arrested Paul Buttner on Thursday, on a charge of having committed a burglary. It appears that the prisoner is in the employ of Messrs. Smith & Ullman, at No. 44½ Maiden-lane, and as the firm had been losing property from their store, Officer Tilly, of Mulberry-street, for some time, a watch was set. Buttner had stolen the key to the outer door, and, on going up stairs, broke off a padlock on another door, in order to get at some fancy baskets, and thus secreted them to the value of $100. On his arrest, Buttner confessed his guilt, and stated that he had sold the plunder to Elias Hollin, at the corner of Grand and Orchard streets, who was also arrested and the property recovered. When the accused were arraigned before the Magistrate, they were remanded for trial in default of bail.

*Jefferson Market—Ledwith, Justice.*

BURGLARY.

At 1 o'clock yesterday morning, George B. Leonard, No. 60 Second-street, Williamsburgh, awakened by a noise, looked out of his window just in time to see the shadow of a man leaving the window of his store below. Procuring the assistance of Officer Mahan, of the Eighteenth Precinct, he searched the premises and in the cellar found one Patrick Hanlon, who had prepared himself for business by taking off his shoes. The window showing that it had been forced open by a jimmy, Hanlon was committed without bail on a charge of burglary.

DISPUTED PROPERTY.

A bitter controversy between John McDonough, of No. 23 Bowery, and John McDonough, of No. 549 Sixth-avenue, as to the ownership of the business stand at the latter place, resulted yesterday in a charge of larceny made by Bowery McDonough against his rival. The specification was that Sixth-avenue McDonough had gone behind the counter and taken from out of the money-drawer and safe, which the accused admitted, but claimed he was only taking his own. The matter was sent to the General Sessions for settlement, the accused giving bail in the sum of $500 for his appearance.

ANOTHER DELANCY CASE.

Ada Delancy, wife of Everett B. Delancy, famous in connection with the Rogers murder, made a complaint, charging Laura Morrison with stealing some pictures, vases, chairs and other articles valued at $500. The evidence of the theft was hardly more distinct than was that of Delancy against the vagrant he accused of the murder, and the case had to be adjourned, the accused was released upon her parole.

*East Market—Mansfield, Justice.*

DISHONEST COMPANIONS.

Mary Warner and Matilda Brinck formerly lodged in the house No. 46 Carmine-street, but on the 20th of March, they left without sufficient ceremony, and at the same time a velvet cloak and a neck chain worth $120, the property of Mary, were not to be found. Yesterday Matilda was met in the street, and as she had the audacity to wear the stolen articles, she was put in charge for grand larceny. Upon being arraigned she was committed for examination.

## CITY COURT—BROOKLYN.

*Before Judge Thompson.*

*Henry McGrath* vs. *Michael Mohne.*—The plaintiff brought suit against the defendant for alleged damages in the action of "the defendant calling plaintiff "thief and a—d robber, and what you have gone and stole out of the Navy-yard and along the docks." This was said in a quarrel between the two parties in relation to carting stone. The jury awarded the plaintiff six cents damages. For plaintiff, Bernard Hughes, Esq.; for defendant, E. W. Bloom.

## MONETARY AFFAIRS.

**Sales at the Stock Exchange**—Apr. 23, 1869.

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| $8,000 U. S. 5-20 C., '62 | 122½ | 79 Pacific Mail...b. c. | 23¾ |
| 5,500 U. S. 5-20 C., '65 | 118¾ | 100 Quicksilver | 22 |
| 15,000 U. S. 5-20 R., '65 | | 100 Adams Ex | 60½ |
| do ..new | 114¾ | 100 do | 60½ |
| 5,000 U. S. 5-20 C., '65 | | 100 Wells-Fargo Ex | 32½ |
| do ..new | 113½ | 100 do | 32½ |
| 158,000 U. S. 5-20 C., '67 | 115 | 20 do | 32½ |
| 2,000 U.S. 6s,10-40 C., '68 | 108 | 200 U. S. Ex | 60½ |
| 12,000 Tenn. 6s, 6s | | 100 do | 60½ |
| do ..new | 60½ | 42 New-York Cen | 127½ |
| 5,000 Ga. 6s, 7s | | 100 Chi. & R. I. | 93½ |
| 10,000 N. Car. 6s, new | 51½ | 100 Hud. R | 148½ |
| 12,000 do ..bef. call | 61½ | 4 Reading | 98 |
| 1,000 do ..2d call | 61 | 100 Mich. Southern | 93½ |
| 1,000 N. C. 6s, New | 54½ | 100 Ill. Cen | 144½ |
| 10,000 do ..new | 54½ | 32 Chi. & N. W | 84 |
| 5,000 do ..2d call | 54½ | 225 Lake Shore | 94½ |
| 1,000 do ..new | 54½ | 100 do | 94½ |
| 5,000 Va. 6s, 6s, new | | 100 Chi. & R. I. | 93½ |
| do ..bef. call | 61½ | 200 do | 93½ |
| 6,000 Mo. 6s, 6s | 67½ | 200 do | 93½ |
| 2,000 do ..new | 67½ | 100 Mil. & St. P | 77 |
| 1,000 do ..bef. call | 67½ | 100 do | 77 |
| 2,000 do ..2d call | 67½ | 200 Mil. & St. P. pf | 87 |
| 20,000 La. 6s, 1. 10s | 77 | 50 do ..b. call | 87½ |
| 5,000 Ala. 5s, 1. 10s | 61½ | 100 Del., L. & W | 91½ |
| 1,000 Chi. & N. W. 5s | 81 | 200 Tol., W. & W. 5s | 71½ |
| 1,000 C. & R.I. 6s M.S | 93½ | 100 New-Jersey Cen | 111½ |
| 1,000 do ..new | 93½ | 18 do | 112 |
| 1,000 Morris & Ess. 7s | 94 | 20 Morris & Essex | 97½ |
| 4,000 Chi. R. I. & P. 7s | 78 | 200 Chi. & Alt. | 132 |
| 2,000 Chi. & Mil. 7s | 98½ | 100 R. & S. J. Pref | 118 |
| 8,000 Chi. C. & I. 10s | 68 | 100 Col. C. & I. Con. | |
| bef. M. Dec. call | 84½ | bef. call | 68½ |
| 1,000 do ..new | 84½ | 100 Ohio & Miss. b. c | 32½ |
| 10 North. Ex. Bank | 115½ | 128 Dub. & S. C | 114 |
| 20 Mech. Nat. Bank | 112½ | 20 N. Y. & N. H. | 121 |

**SECOND BOARD—1½ P. M.**

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| $1,000 U. S. 6s, '81, C. | 112½ | $20,000 U.S. 5-20 C., '67 | |
| 17,000 U. S. 5-20 C., '62 | 121 | 500 do | 115 |
| 105,000 do ..b. 5-20, '65 | | 2,000 do | 115 |
| do | 112½ | 100,000 U. S. 6s, 10-40 | |
| 5,000 do | 112 | coupon | 108½ |
| 10,000 U. S. 5-20 C., '65 | 113½ | 5,000 U.S. 6s Cur | 104½ |
| 12,000 U. S. 5-20 R., '65 | 113½ | 500 do | 104½ |
| 10,000 U.S. 5-20 R., '67 | 115 | | |

**SECOND BOARD—3½ P. M.**

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| $1,000 Tenn. 6s | 62½ | 160 Canton Co | 65 |
| 1,000 Va. 6s, 6s | 62½ | 10 West. U. Tel | 61½ |
| 4,000 Va. 6s, New | | 300 do | 61½ |
| 1,000 N. C. 6s, New | 54½ | 200 Pacific Mail | 23½ |
| 4,000 N. Car. 6s, 6s | | 100 Wells-Fargo | 32½ |
| do ..new | 54½ | 200 Adams Ex | 60½ |
| 1,000 Mo. 6s, 6s | 67½ | 100 U. S. Ex. | 60½ |
| 2,000 do ..b. c. | 67½ | 100 Mich. Cen | 93½ |
| 1,000 Tol., C. & I. C. | | 100 N. Y. & H. | 121 |
| 1st M. | 84½ | 200 Erie | 37½ |
| 10,000 do ..b. c. | 84½ | 100 do | 37½ |
| 1,000 Mich. S. & N. I. 7s | 93 | 100 do | 37½ |
| 1,000 do ..b. c. | 93½ | 100 do | 37½ |
| 10 Cent. Nat. Bank | 109 | 200 C. C. & Ind. C | 78½ |
| 5 D'r of Comm'ce | 115 | | |

And the following for the City Bank Stocks:

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| New-York | 189 | Bank of the Republic | 127½ |
| Manhattan | 149 | Metropolis | 114 |
| Merchants' | 127 | Metropolitan | 124 |
| Mechanics' | 195 | Shoe and Leather | 103 |
| Union | 150 | Tradesmen's | 90 |
| Commerce | 127 | Continental | 100 |
| North River | 55 | Commerce | 127 |
| Manhattan | 116 | Park | 115½ |
| Mechanics' Ex | 114½ | Pacific | 105½ |
| Seventh Ward | 119 | Phenix | 105½ |
| Commerce | 124 | Fourth National | 106½ |
| Hanover | 160 | Ninth National | 97 |
| Quotation Exchange | 110 | Tenth National | 95 |
| Citizens' | 110 | | |

And the following for the Railway Mortgages:

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|---|---|---|---|
| N. Y. Cen. 6s, 1883 | 91 | Chi. & R. I. 1st M | 93 |
| N. Y. Cen. 6s, 1887 | 91 | Chi. R. I. & P | 93 |
| N. Y. Cen. 6s, Exch | 93 | Morris & Essex 1st M | 94½ |
| N. Y. C. 6s, subscrip | 90 | Morris & Essex 2d M | 81 |
| Erie 1st M. cert | 80½ | Clevel. & Tol. S. Fund | 91½ |
| Erie 2d M. cert | 80 | N. Y. Cen. 1st M | 103½ |
| Erie 7s, 4th int, 1889 | 81 | P. Ft. W. & C. 1st M | 102½ |
| H. & N. 1st M. 1900 | 100½ | Clevel. & P. 1st M | 93 |
| H. & N. 2d M. R. F. '76 | 75 | Clevel. & P. 4th M | 79½ |
| Hudson 1st M | 108 | Chi. & Alton 1st M | 101 |
| Mich. C. R. 1st M. '82 | 113 | Ohio & Miss. 1st M | 89 |
| Mich. S. & N. I. 1st M | 94½ | Ohio & Miss. 2d M | 75½ |
| M. S. & N. I. 2d M | 75 | Ohio & Miss. Cons. M | 90 |
| Ill. Cen. 7 P c., 1875 | 119 | Mil. & St. P. 1st M. '92 | 102½ |
| Alton & T. H. 1st M. c | 93½ | Mil. & St. P. 1st M. '93 | 91 |
| Alton & T. H. M. M. c | 83 | Mil. & St. P. L. G. & M. 1st | 97 |
| Alton & T. H. M. M. s | 83 | Mil. & St. P. L. G. & M. 2d | 87 |
| Chi. & N. W. 1st M. '85 | 93 | Mil. & St. P. L. G. & M. 3d | 77 |
| Chi. & N. W. 2d M. '86 | 86 | Mil. & St. P. L. G. & M. 4th | 68 |
| Chi. & N. W. Sinking-fund | 82 | Chi. & Mil. 1st M. Dub. | 93 |
| Chi. & N. W. Gold 7s | 91 | Chi. & Mil. 1st M. Pres | 93 |
| Han. & St. J. L. G. | 98 | N. Y. and N. H. Sinking-fd | 94 |
| Han. & St. Jo. Conv. | 135 | Col. Chi. & Ind. 1st M | 94½ |
| Del., L. & W. 1st M | 93 | Col. Chi. & Ind. 2d M | 75 |
| Del., L. & W. 2d M | 84 | Mar. Trust. Int. Cert | 79 |
| Tol. & W. 1st M. sink | 84 | Atl. D. & M. 1st M | 94½ |
| Tol. & W. 2d M | 67 | Des. M. & C. Tol. Ex | 90 |
| Tol. & W. 3d M | 50 | Mich. S. & N. I. Income | 75 |
| Tol., W. & W. S. & T. F. | 82 | Clevel., P. & Ash. s. b. | 91 |
| Gt. West'n 1st M. '88 | 101 | Clevel. P. & Ash. s. b. | 92 |
| Gt. West'n 2d M. '93 | 60½ | Buffalo & Erie, sink | 42 |
| C. & Tol. 1st M. '90 | 80 | Iron Mountain bonds | 84½ |

The day's business at the office of the United States Assistant Treasurer was as follows: Total receipts, $621,876; total payments, $1,273,583; balance, $98,884,172. The receipts include for Customs, $302,000; for Gold Notes, $69,000.

BRITISH REVENUES—1867-8.

| | Year ended March 31, 1869. | Year ended March 31, 1868. |
|---|---|---|
| Customs | £22,454,000 | £22,000,000 |
| Excise | 20,452,000 | 20,192,000 |
| Stamps | 9,210,000 | 9,241,000 |
| Taxes | 1,450,000 | 1,500,000 |
| Property tax | 6,818,000 | 6,400,000 |
| Post Office | 4,460,000 | 4,420,000 |
| Crown lands | 300,000 | 325,000 |
| Miscellaneous | 1,355,991 | 2,556,219 |
| Totals | £72,501,991 | £69,630,219 |
| Expenditures for year ending March 31, 1867 | | £74,656,000 |

BRITISH EXPORT TRADE.

| British Possessions: | 1867. | 1868. |
|---|---|---|
| India | £21,805,127 | £19,[illegible] |
| Australia | 9,613,739 | 12,071,425 |
| British North America | 5,862,402 | 4,847,560 |
| Hong Kong | 3,471,000 | 3,136,110 |
| British West Indies | 1,686,267 | 1,736,722 |
| Singapore | 2,069,810 | 1,618,267 |
| Cape of Good Hope | 1,701,441 | 1,522,111 |
| Ceylon | 771,978 | 835,768 |
| Gibraltar | 722,318 | 705,027 |
| Guiana | 626,943 | 671,008 |
| Western Africa | 620,027 | 613,278 |
| Channel Islands | 469,323 | 556,424 |
| Malta | 456,706 | 400,633 |
| Mauritius | 377,400 | 403,610 |
| Natal | 146,016 | 127,[illegible] |
| Honduras | 146,016 | 127,772 |
| Aden | 76,127 | 35,768 |
| Bermudas | 43,670 | 46,943 |
| St. Helena | 36,[illegible] | 32,[illegible] |
| Falkland Islands | 7,611 | 11,456 |
| Ascension | 5,710 | 5,024 |
| Heligoland | 78 | 164 |
| Total | £40,796,810 | £40,775,555 |
| Foreign countries: | | |
| Germany | £20,845,000 | £23,777,500 |
| United States | 11,928,760 | 13,410,744 |
| France | 13,131,010 | 10,653,771 |
| Holland | 6,025,242 | 10,202,258 |
| Turkey | 4,000,000 | 4,000,000 |
| China | 4,906,000 | 4,312,000 |
| Egypt | 3,162,111 | 4,008,500 |
| Brazil | 4,087,557 | 3,822,937 |
| Italy | 3,000,000 | 3,000,000 |
| Sardinia | 1,944,000 | 4,250,721 |
| Spanish West Indies | 3,335,703 | 2,570,420 |
| Belgium | 2,816,451 | 3,149,769 |
| Portugal, Azores | 2,000,000 | 2,000,000 |
| Spain | 1,400,000 | 1,400,545 |
| Chili | 2,024,428 | 1,868,224 |
| Argentine Republic | 2,037,124 | 1,622,191 |
| Portuguese East Africa | 1,000,000 | 1,000,000 |
| Denmark | 1,322,302 | 1,461,798 |
| Sweden and Norway | 1,400,181 | 1,300,811 |
| Peru | 1,000,000 | 1,000,000 |
| Japan | 1,156,334 | 1,106,009 |
| Austrian Territories, (Illyria, &c.) | 962,952 | 1,094,976 |
| Greece | 675,000 | 675,000 |
| Philippine Islands | 1,067,424 | 1,000,000 |
| Uruguay | 1,452,205 | 930,972 |
| Western Africa | 916,450 | 901,300 |
| Dutch Possessions (Java, &c.) | 1,000,000 | 1,000,000 |
| Mexico | 317,948 | 549,484 |
| Morocco | 199,267 | 199,000 |
| Central America | 149,509 | 160,031 |
| Venezuela | 100,000 | 100,000 |
| Islands in the Pacific | 19,488 | 27,993 |
| Tunis | 67,228 | 67,611 |
| Cape Verd Islands | 27,000 | 27,000 |
| Abyssinia | 44,472 | 10,968 |
| Algeria | 22,668 | 22,997 |
| Persian Ports in the Mediterranean | 15,421 | 22,300 |
| Eastern Africa | 38,155 | 25,641 |
| Persia | 14,000 | 27,488 |
| Arabia | 6,028 | 4,776 |
| Bolivia | 2,000 | 2,000 |
| Madagascar | 3,000 | 2,397 |
| Siam | 3,344 | 3,072 |
| Cochin China | 612 | 481 |
| West Tartary—Northern | 100 | 100 |
| Abyssinia | | 128 |
| French possessions in India | 1,074 | 1,[illegible] |
| Totals | £180,961,923 | £179,423,544 |

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The meeting of the stockholders of the Nicaragua Transit Company at DELMONICO'S, on Thursday, was fully attended. Mr. EDWARD WHITEHOUSE was made Chairman, and Mr. D. O. BRADLEY Secretary. After a somewhat animated discussion, WM. WHITEWRIGHT, Jr., HOWARD WAINWRIGHT, and the officers of the meeting, were appointed a committee to call on the receiver of the Company for a statement of its affairs to date, and also for a copy of the papers given and received in the settlement said to have been made of the Company's claim against Commodore VANDERBILT. The meeting was then adjourned, subject to the call of the Chair.

The Export Clearances of the principal kinds of Domestic Produce since our last, as reported at the Merchants' Exchange, Pine-street, included 728 bales Cotton, 1,125 bbls. Pork, 510 bales Hops, and 17,610 bbls. Shoulders by the Augusta, for Liverpool; 600 bbls. Spirits Turpentine, by brig *Isabel*, for Hamburg, and 4,100 bbls. Refined Petroleum, by the bark *Hornburg*, for Antwerp.

The week's Imports of Foreign Dry Goods have been to the specie value of $1,305,042, and the amount marketed has been $1,616,770.

The Coin Interest disbursements of the Sub-Treasury to-day were $360,069.

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The officers will take pleasure in showing the vault on application.


## GENERAL MARKETS.

NEW-YORK, Friday, April 23, 1869.

The receipts of the principal lines of Produce since our last have been as follows:

| | |
|---|---|
| Ashes, pbls | 25 |
| Flour, bbls | 6,[illegible] |
| Flour, bags | 15,[illegible] |
| Cornmeal, bbls | |
| Cornmeal, bags | |
| Wheat, bushels | 48,[illegible] |
| Corn, bushels | 15,[illegible] |
| Rye, bushels | 2,[illegible] |
| Oats, bushels | 4,[illegible] |
| Barley, bushels | 11,[illegible] |
| Malt, bushels | 1,[illegible] |

ASHES—The market continues in moderate demand at unchanged prices. Pearls are quite dull at about $7 12½ for No. 1.

BREADSTUFFS—Has been heavier but steadily, at from 5c. to 10c. for Yellow & ⅌.

BOOTS AND SHOES—The trade is on a more cautious footing and prices are quite firm. The all round demand was for Men's Thick and Kip Boots at $3 80@$4 25; Men's Calf Pegged, $3 70@$4; Men's Calf Sewed, Kentucky Kip, Calf and Pegged Grain Boots, $4@$4 50; Men's Calf Sewed Boots, $4@$4 50; Men's Wax Pegged Boots, $3@$3 50; Men's Calf Pegged Grain Boots, $3@$3 50; Men's Wax Pegged Boots, $2 50@$2 75; Men's Calf Sewed Boots, $4@$4 50; Men's Calf Pegged Boots, $3@$3 50; Men's Wax Pegged Boots, $2@$2 25; Men's Calf and Kip Balmorals, $3@$3 50; Men's Pegged and Calf Balmorals, $2@$2 50; Men's Pegged and Calf Congress, $2@$2 50; Boys' Calf and Kip Balmorals, $2@$2 50; Boys' Pegged and Calf Congress, $1@$1 75; Men's Kip Brogans, $1@$1 50; Men's Calf Brogans, $1@$1 50; Women's Calf and Kip Balmorals, $2@$2 25; Misses' Calf and Kip Balmorals, $1@$1 50; Misses' Pegged and Calf Congress, $1@$1 50; Women's Pegged and Calf Congress, $1@$1 50; Women's Pegged and Calf Balmorals, $1@$1 50; Women's Pegged Slippers, $1@$1 25; Men's Calf Pegged Shoes, $3@$3 50; Men's Wax Pegged Shoes, $2@$2 25; Men's Pegged Shoes, $2@$2 25; Men's Calf Sewed Shoes, $3@$3 50; Men's Wax Sewed

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TRIPLE SHEET.

NEW-YORK, SATURDAY, APRIL 24, 1869.

Announcements this Evening.

FIFTH-AVENUE THEATRE.
Broadway and 28th-st.
MONS. LANDRIANI'S LE MAITRE DE CHAPELLE. Miss Tosten, Demaio and Miss Denin.
MATINEE at 2.—BARBE-BLEUE.

ACADEMY OF MUSIC.
14th-st. and Irving-place.
DESCHAPS. Principal character by Miss Fanny Jaunbach.
AFTERNOON—FAUST. (Opera.) Principal character by Miss Clara Louise Kellogg.

WALLACK'S THEATRE.
Broadway, corner 13th-st.
SCHOOL. Leading characters by Mr. Lester Wallack, Miss German, and Mr. Marlowe.
MATINEE at 2 o'clock.

GRAND OPERA HOUSE.
23d-st., corner 6th-av.
THE TEMPEST. Principal characters by Messrs. E. L. Davenport, M. Davidge and Miss J. Pilton.
MATINEE at 1½ o'clock.

BOOTH'S THEATRE.
23d-st., near 6th-av.
EVENING—THE MARBLE HEART. Leading character by Mr. Edwin Adams.
MATINEE at 1 o'clock.—OTHELLO.

NIBLO'S GARDEN.
Broadway, between Prince and Houston-sts.
FORTY THIEVES. Leading characters by Miss Lydia Thompson and Mr. Beckett.
MATINEE at 2 o'clock.

OLYMPIC THEATRE.
Broadway, between Houston and Bleecker-sts.
HUMPTY DUMPTY. Leading characters by Mr. Sam. S. Fox and Miss Laurent.
MATINEE at 1½ o'clock.

BROADWAY THEATRE.
Broadway, near Broome-st.
AFTERNOON—FAIRY CIRCLE, &c. Leading characters by Mr. and Mrs. Barney Williams.
EVENING—DICK SWIVELLER, and ROUGH DIAMOND. Leading characters by J. C. Williamson.

WAVERLEY THEATRE.
No. 720 Broadway.
LUCRETIA BORGIA, M. D. and IVANHOE. Leading characters by Miss Ellen Holt and Mr. Lewis.
MATINEE at 2 o'clock.

THEATRE COMIQUE,
No. 514 Broadway.
PLUTO, and COMIC SKETCHES. Leading character by Mr. W. H. Lingard and Miss Alice Dunning.
MATINEE at 2 o'clock.

WOOD'S MUSEUM AND THEATRE.
Broadway, corner of 30th-st.
CONSCRIPT, and ALADDIN. Leading characters by Miss Marriott.
MATINEE at 2 o'clock—ALADDIN.

THE TAMMANY.
14th-st., near 3d-av.
GRAND COMBINATION OF MUSIC, PLAYS, PANTOMIMES, ACROBATIC FEATS, &c.
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To Advertisers.

Advertisers in the TIMES are requested to bring in their notices at as early an hour in the day as possible. If received after 6½ o'clock, it will be impossible to classify them under their proper heads.

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## NEWS OF THE DAY.

### EUROPE.

The Spanish Cortes is still engaged discussing the new Constitution. Yesterday a clause was agreed to guaranteeing the liberty of the Press and securing to the people the right to meet in public.

Count VON BISMARCK yesterday opposed, in the Prussian Diet, a proposition to print an official Blue Book, but was willing to submit public documents to the Diet for the information of members.

### WEST INDIES.

The Spanish Government has authorized the Cuban authorities to apply to war purposes the proceeds of all confiscated property belonging to disloyal citizens. Many planters in the Villa Clara district are volunteering to aid in suppressing the insurrection.

Advices from St. Domingo, via St. Thomas, to the 10th inst., state that General CABRAL has withdrawn his adhesion to the Baez Government. General MARCO CABRAL, nephew of the Ex-President is out with a manifesto, dated the 3d inst., declaring his sympathy with the policy of President BAEZ, and pledging the cooperation of his uncle in carrying it out. Professor GAGE, Baez Geologist, writes that the whole people, from the President to the native herdsmen in the mountains, are in favor of annexation to the United States.

### JAPAN.

Official dispatches received at the Navy Department from Rear-Admiral ROWAN announce that the civil war in Japan is at last ended. The Mikado is acknowledged as the temporal and spiritual head of the Government, and armed resistance to his authority has ceased. The leader of the rebels, AIZEN, has been imprisoned for life, and several rebellious Princes are required to remain in their own castles for various terms of years.

### GENERAL.

A terrible accident occurred on the Long Island Railroad yesterday. The rear car of the 10:00 train from Hunter's Point was thrown off the track by a broken rail near Willow Tree. Six persons were killed and eleven badly injured.

The freshet in the Connecticut River reached a turning at noon yesterday, being then twenty-six feet and eight inches above low-water mark at Hartford. Great damage was done to property along its banks, and railroad travel was for a time suspended. Trains are now running regularly, although the tracks are still submerged in places. The trains on the New-York Central and Hudson River Roads are also running again on time, although considerable damage was done to the tracks.

Ex-Governor HENRY DUTTON, of Connecticut, is lying dangerously sick at his residence at Hartford, and it is feared he will not recover.

Judge S. W. BROCKWAY died at San Mateo, Cal., on the 20th of March, in the forty-second year of his age. He was born in Columbia County, N. Y., graduated at Union College, Schenectady, and subsequently attended the Law School in Cherry Valley, Otsego County, in his native State. He emigrated to California early in 1850, and speedily attained a high position in the legal profession and on the Bench.

Brigadier-General MILES D. MCALPINE, of the Engineer Corps of the United States Army, died suddenly at Buffalo yesterday.

Governor CLAFLIN, of Massachusetts, has appointed WILLIAM A. RICHARDSON, now Acting Assistant Secretary of the Treasury, a Justice of the Superior Court in place of Judge MORTON, promoted to the Supreme Court.

Governor HARRIMAN, of New-Hampshire, does not propose resigning the office of Governor until his successor is inaugurated in June. He will then, if there is no objection by the Government, enter upon the duties of Navy Agent at Boston.

M. C. KILGORE, residing at Washington, Iowa, jumped from a fourth-story window of the Matteson House, Chicago, yesterday, and died half an hour afterward.

Rev. JAMES MARSHALL, a Catholic priest of Chicago, who was arrested a short time since charged with forging an express receipt, was discharged yesterday, the charge against him looking like conspiracy.

A colored man, his wife, his wife's sister, and a baby fourteen months old, were burned to death near New Road Station, S. C., on the night of the 14th inst. Their charred remains were found next day in the smoldering ruins of the house in which they had lived. It is supposed that the fire broke out in the night, and that the smoke suffocated the unfortunate people while they were sleeping.

The fresh water sailors at Cleveland are on a strike for higher wages, and declare that no vessel shall leave the port till their terms are acceded to. A crew which had shipped on board a schooner for Chicago was driven off by the strikers, and the departure of the vessel prevented.

We have another terrible story of suffering at sea, caused by the brutality of the officers of the American ship *Richard Robinson*, which arrived at this port last Saturday. The crew show marks of ill-usage, and declare that they were beaten with belaying pins, brass-knuckles and other implements of a similar character; that some of them were hanged by the hands until they were paralyzed; and that the lives of some of them were only saved through the interposition of the Captain's wife.

The St. George's Society had its anniversary dinner at DELMONICO's last evening. Mr. ARCHIBALD, the President of the Society, presided. Speeches were made by Mr. ARCHIBALD, Mr. DE CORDOVA, General MCDOWELL and the representatives of the sister societies present.

The examination into the Mumler spirit-photography case was continued before Justice DOWLING yesterday. Curious and important testimony was elicited. The investigation was subsequently further adjourned till Monday next, at 10 A. M.

The vagrant REILLY, who was supposed to know something of the Rogers murder, was yesterday released by permission of the District-Attorney.

The Board of Fire Underwriters met yesterday, but did nothing beyond discussing the propositions to appoint an executive manager, and adjusting the Board to discharge the executive business of the National Board.

A meeting in favor of public baths was held last evening in Room No. 12 Cooper Institute, at which a petition was adopted for presentation to the Common Council on the subject.

Cotton closed steadier yesterday, particularly for the high grades, on, however, a light business. Breadstuffs were in moderate demand. Flour and wheat closed weak in price. Corn and Oats, firmer. Provisions were less sought after. Lard was cheaper. Groceries were lightly dealt in. Petroleum, less buoyant. Naval Stores held with more confidence. Kentucky Tobacco, quite brisk and firm. Freights, quiet.

### The Foreign Appointments of the New Administration.

The Senate has declined to sanction the transfer of Mr. SANFORD from his post as Minister at Brussels, and to make him Minister at Madrid. We see nothing to regret in this unless it involves the retention of Mr. HALE at the latter place, as some of his friends seem to assume. Mr. SANFORD is well fitted for the post he holds. He has fair abilities, pleasing manners, a good knowledge of European languages, social habits and modes of thought, and has made himself a favorite, not only with the diplomatic and Court circles of Brussels, but with his many countrymen who visit the charming capital of that charming Kingdom. He will continue to represent us well at Brussels; but neither his abilities nor his training qualify him so well for the more serious and important diplomatic service which an official residence as American Minister at the Spanish capital is likely to involve.

But Mr. HALE was never half as well qualified for those duties as Mr. SANFORD is now;—and he has of late become disqualified, in a still more important sense, for representing this country in Spain or anywhere else. The Spanish Government has evidence in its possession which convicts him of using his official character as a cloak for smuggling; and it has placed our own Government in possession of that evidence. Although it has forborne, from motives of delicacy, from pressing this offence as a ground for demanding Mr. HALE's recall, it unquestionably did so on the assumption that self-respect on the part of our Government would lead to his being immediately replaced by some one else. And that result, we take it for granted, will certainly follow.

President GRANT has now nearly finished the task of refilling our foreign missions. The changes have been numerous and less disastrous, perhaps, than we had reason to apprehend. General GRANT seems to have adopted the theory of all his more recent predecessors, that the foreign missions are primarily and mainly spoils of party victory," and that positions for rewarding the country honorable and useful public service,—and they have been distributed accordingly. There has been a pretty clean sweep of the Ministers, Secretaries and Consuls appointed by Mr. LINCOLN and mainly kept in office by Mr. JOHNSON, and as a whole the change has not been an improvement. The new appointees are not, as a general thing, men who will perform their duties with greater ability or reflect more credit on the country than those they displace. In Russia the change is for the better. Governor CURTIN is a better representative of the United States than CASSIUS M. CLAY, and his dispatches will need less serious supervision before they are sent to Congress for publication. In France Mr. WASHBURNE is not better fitted for the post than either Mr. DAYTON, Mr. BIGELOW, or General DIX by whom it has been filled since Mr. LINCOLN's election. In Italy and Prussia General GRANT has been both wise and just in retaining the services of Mr. MARSH and Mr. BANCROFT, who are two of the best foreign Ministers we have ever sent abroad. In Austria, where there is nothing whatever for an American Minister to do, Mr. JAY will make a creditable and sufficient representative. And in Sweden, Denmark, Norway, and the other minor nations, the posts are filled as well as usual, which is perhaps well enough. Mr. SCHELLABARGER is a man of more ability, of a special kind, than we need in Portugal, but as it is not mainly diplomatic, he will not be greatly missed elsewhere.

In England, which is to be, even more than usual, the chief field for diplomatic labor, and where the very highest qualifications are indispensable, Mr. MOTLEY, though a creditable appointment, will by no means make good the loss of CHARLES FRANCIS ADAMS. Indeed there is no man in the United States who could compare favorably with him either in fitness for the highest diplomatic service, or for that position in the Cabinet which gives him direction and control, under the President, over all our relations with foreign powers. It is among the most prominent of the infelicities of our practical politics, that Mr. ADAMS was set aside at the outset, as one who was not to share in the duties and responsibilities of the Government under the new Administration, because supposed to have been not sufficiently zealous in adhesion to all the views of the victorious party. The fact that such men can be thus set aside by party influences, no matter how much the country may need, or the people desire, their services, cannot be deemed otherwise than a misfortune by all who look with jealousy upon everything that detracts from the *prestige* of republican institutions. The country needs, and will continue to need more and more, the practical services in Government of men of ability, mastery of political history, large experience in public affairs, and the temper which takes reason and judgment, rather than passion and prejudice, as guides in practical conduct. And yet it seems to be growing more and more difficult to get such men into official position, or to keep them in when once there.

The changes made by Gen. GRANT, though they do not elevate our foreign service and will not greatly improve it, either in character or in credit, do not disgrace it. They have been too generally treated as coin for the payment of personal or political obligations, and evince no very thorough knowledge of the qualifications required for effective service in the foreign field. The assignment is conspicuously the work of a man new to this special department,—of one clearly not familiar with what is wanted, or with the way to get it. We may look for a good many blunders and more failures; but we may reasonably hope to escape absolute discredit.

### Commissions in Life Insurance—A Hint to the Superintendent.

The Superintendent of the Insurance Department has an opportunity, in the preparation of his forthcoming report, of contributing to the correction of some of the more gross abuses which have crept into life insurance management. The first essential of reform is a correct knowledge of the evils to be remedied. And he cannot render a better service to the public, whose interests he is supposed to guard, than by putting them in possession of facts relating to the expenditures of companies. These expenditures, in their irregular and improper form, have grown out of the comparative secrecy with which the affairs of companies are administered. The Superintendent has the power of exacting specific information, and we trust that for the first time he will exert it fully to bring to light the varying practices of the companies in regard to the cost of acquiring and the cost of conducting business. In other words, to compel the companies to tell precisely the rates of commission they severally pay to agents and others on first premiums and renewals, respectively, and also the commission, bonus, or whatever they may call payments, to their salaried officers by way of extra compensation.

We are aware that questions relating to these points are included in the "general interrogatories" published, with what purport to be replies, at the end of statements in former reports. It is only necessary to turn to the ninth report to discover how unsatisfactory these replies usually are, and how far the good nature of the Superintendent has triumphed over the sterner aspect of his duties in allowing such replies to pass as accepted and conclusive. The questions covering the ground which awaits investigation are propounded in these terms:

(1.) "What is the largest percentage of commissions ever allowed to agents on first and also on renewal premiums?"

(2.) "What is the largest percentage allowed on first premiums when received in full of all claims for future commissions?"

(3.) "Do any of the officers of the Company receive a commission or percentage on any of the business of the Company, or retiring allowance, annuities, or any other remuneration besides a fixed and regular salary?"

These inquiries, frankly and fully answered, should suffice to reveal the whole story of commissions, whether paid to agents or officers. But what are the answers actually given? Turning almost at random to the returns of New-York companies, we find one not celebrated for economy concealing its rates on first and renewal premiums thus: "Commissions have been regulated on a scale not exceeding ten per cent." Another states: "Commission or compensation to agents varies in proportion to service rendered." And yet a third says: "On first premiums, ten per cent.; on renewals, five per cent. An extra allowance of five per cent. on premiums of first year, and five and a half per cent. on renewals, is allowed general agents for special services." These will do as examples. All these are evasions rather than replies. They conceal some portion of the truth. They are attempts to hide extravagant commissions under terms which convey no specific idea. What, for instance, does "a scale not exceeding ten per cent." mean? The phrase is designed to suggest an average which may not startle, but it really excites suspicion by its want of candor. Or, again, what extravagance may not lurk beneath the statement that commissions vary "in proportion to service rendered?" What the public are entitled to know, and what the Superintendent should compel the Companies to tell, is what rates have been actually paid during the year to agents for the business they have brought. At what price have they acquired their new business, and at what cost have they collected their renewal premiums? The question is clear, and the replies should be specific.

With regard to commuted commissions there is the same ambiguity. Thus the company which takes refuge under a suggested average of ten per cent., first and renewal premiums, replies to the query we have numbered two: "Thirty-five per cent.; an additional sum has sometimes been allowed for extra or traveling expenses." Another repeats its convenient device: "Varies in proportion to service rendered." Another confesses: "Twenty-five per cent.; ten per cent. extra to general agents." The extravagance indicated in the last of these replies, cautiously constructed as it is, adds to the impatience which other efforts at concealment are calculated to excite.

Passing to the third inquiry—namely, that relating to commissions or percentages paid to officers in addition to salaries—the disingenuousness of not a few of the companies reaches its climax. Some there are which meet the question with a blunt and honest "No." There are others which equivocate, and still others which seek to escape condemnation by transparent falsehood. Everybody can understand what such an answer as this amounts to: "The officers receive such remuneration only as the Board of Trustees decide upon." That means anything or nothing, according to fancy. But what shall be said of a company which, after paying to its officers a commission on its profits for a series of years, ventures to reply: "Officers are not allowed to receive commissions; no extra remuneration is allowed or paid except in specific cases by vote of the Board of Trustees?" Is there not here concealment, or worse? Or how shall we speak of a third company, one of whose officers annually receives a very large sum in the shape of commission on business, and whose response to the interrogatory reads, "No commissions paid to officers; they receive a specific sum, as per order of Board of Directors at their regular meetings?" Is such a reply truthful?—is it honest?

We might multiply illustrations of the unsatisfactory manner in which New-York Companies meet the Superintendent's effort to elicit important information. Perhaps we have cited enough for our purpose—certainly enough to prove the necessity that exists for requiring from the companies a more explicit explanation of matters which go far toward determining the economy or extravagance of their management. We cannot suppose the Superintendent to be unmindful of the worthlessness of answers framed to conceal the truth. Why he accepted them we cannot imagine. The marvel will be increased, however, if he again permit the companies chargeable with extravagance to escape under their thin disguise.

The points to which we direct the Superintendent's attention are of paramount importance, as well to the good name as to the lasting usefulness and success of life insurance. The payment of commissions to salaried officers, whether based on profits, realized or estimated, or on new business, is a scandal to the mutual system. It is a corrupt offshoot of proprietary management in the Old World, and is inexcusable except in connection with stock companies. As applied to mutual companies, it is a misappropriation of funds belonging to the insured which not even a Board of Trustees is privileged to sanction. The exorbitant commissions paid to agents are a still more dangerous evil. They jeopardize the solvency of companies, and lead to a recklessness in the acquisition of business which no sincere friend of the provident principle can witness without alarm. Think of 35 per cent. commission as paid by an old and prosperous company! The thing would be incredible if it were not confessed.

Will not the Superintendent bring the influence of his report to bear in the direction of a return to the management which prospered in the acquisition of business at a cost of ten per cent. on first premiums and five per cent. on renewals? Even these rates are double the amounts paid by thrifty Scottish companies, which are among the best models of all that is sound and good in life insurance.

### Our River Police, Thieves and Docks.

Numerous instances of the successful operations of the river thieves and smugglers have been lately published. The latest exploit worthy of note is the theft and subsequent public sale in our streets of nine hogsheads of tallow. It follows that burglars who can remove from a ship nine such bulky and weighty articles as hogsheads of tallow are not only numerous and well organized, but fully supplied with material with which to accomplish their thefts. It also follows that the river Police of this harbor are not the best organized and most effective in existence. It does not speak well either for the efficiency of the revenue service in this port that smugglers are also very successful in the waters of the lower bay.

A correspondent in another column, writing of our dilapidated wharves and piers, and suggesting a comprehensive system of docks for our harbor, alludes to the insecurity of this port, and the great exposure of shipping and merchandise on the wharves to fire and burglary. While the revenue and river Police organizations are ineffective, no arrangements whatever have ever existed for river fire engines, such as they have in all the great ports of Europe. The remedies for these evils suggested by our correspondent involve the construction of very expensive docks, which will require many years as well as much money to complete; but as the docks are a necessity to the growing commerce of the City, the suggestion is well worthy of consideration.

Our piecing wharves and piers are a disgrace to the City. Four-fifths of them require at this moment to be wholly rebuilt; it is dangerous to load them with merchandise; frequently trucks and truck-horses are lost by sinking through their rotten floorings, and they are the haunts of the very worst characters, instead of being protected by high walls from the incursions of such people. The advantages to be derived in this way by the erection of the proper kinds of docks are insignificant compared with those of a commercial nature to be attained. Bonded warehouses might be consolidated with the docks, and safe and ample storage thus obtained. Insurance rates would naturally be reduced, thus making a great and important saving to every merchant. These considerations are of the most important character, and, as presented at greater length elsewhere, worthy of serious attention by our merchants generally, and of the commissioners who have been, or are to be, appointed "to perfect some comprehensive system" of docks.

### Our City Taxes.

The City of New-York groans under a burden of taxation which makes Pilgrim's pack, in the picture, look like a feather; but the State Legislature is willing, apparently, by monstrous extras, gigantic railroad jobs, and an infinity of odds and ends, to pile that load higher.

An epoch full of moment to tax-payers has now come in the legislative session. The City and County Tax Levy, introduced into the Senate thirty days ago, (the 23d of March,) after undergoing a month's incubation by the Committee on Cities, passed the third reading on Thursday, and now awaits final action by the Legislature. Thanks partly to the Senate Committee, headed by Mr. CROWLEY, whose efforts at economy in this matter have been marked, and chiefly to the Citizens' Association, whose counsel argued for reduction again and again before the Committee, the prodigious tax with which the City authorities proposed to mulct us, has been so far greatly cut down. Taking the chief items of the tabulated estimates made by the civic officials, the Citizens' Association showed, by careful computation of all details, that in these points the sum of $4,698,541, asked for, could be reduced to $2,108,000—a difference of no less than $2,590,541.

The actual amount fixed upon by the Committee and agreed to by the Senate, was a compromise between these two estimates. Thankful for so much, we can only say "it might have been worse." But we have now already reached the log-rolling days of the session, and what reconsiderations, amendments and swindling tricks may be played with the various projects of civil legislation before adjournment, nobody can predict. We have to watch the action of an Assembly which has already shown its ignorance, or worse, in such affairs as the Sheriff's plunder bill, and in the manifold railroad jobs. We know by experience what monstrous freaks and frauds in legislation the last days of a session may produce. And we know, too, that the pressure brought to bear on the Legislature by people accustomed to plunder the City is enormous. If so bold a stroke as surreptitiously adding $400,000 to the estimates after they left the hands of the Mayor and Comptroller was attempted, what may not be tried in the last hurried days of the session?

But we warn the Legislature not to spring any new schemes of extortion and plunder upon the City, or to revive the old ones. That body can trespass too far on the long-suffering of our citizens. The very extent of the municipal control which it exercises throws upon it a double responsibility. No plea of haste, or ignorance, or outside pressure, can excuse its failure to give us wise and economical civic legislation. It claims the prerogative; on it therefore rests the burden of duty—for there is no right without a correlative responsibility. Whether it be by railroad jobs, street jobs, extortionate tax levies or what not, "the State Government," as the Citizens' Association has said, "is responsible to the people of this City for every dollar it authorizes to be raised for extravagant and needless purposes." The State is jealous of its civic authority and power—let it use them well.

### Our English Relations—The Dangers that Threaten Us.

A fear possesses the public mind. It is that the British nation, in revenge for the rejection of the *Alabama* Treaty, has determined to inflict upon us a scourge,—namely, to send over to us its useless stock of actresses, actors, dramatists and managers. In other words, to torment us, like *Caliban*, and compel us to carry wood. The fear, although we do not share it, is not altogether ungrounded. Without, for the immediate moment, dwelling upon the present peculiar state of our places of amusement, we may mention that in the latest European intelligence there are two items fraught with dire purport. The first states that "another ship-load" of *artists* has departed for America. The word "artists" is distinctly used. The second frets us with more evil. It states that Mr. NELSON LEE—a spontaneous writer—will visit New-York next season, provided the engagement is sufficient. There is a subtlety in this threat which seems to have political significance. The astute British Government, trembling in its shoes in the Tower of London, undoubtedly knew that we had FENIAN already here, and with the recollection of the inquisition held of yore within the walls of that hated British Bastile, determined to rack us with another torment. Clearly there is forethought and sagacity in this. It is added, moreover, by the alarmists, that four British burlesque writers are now absolutely in the land, and ready to perform their nefarious offices at the shortest notice. If this be true, there is indeed cause for popular alarm.

Detecting, however, the political aspect of the case, and simply taking it as it stands, we may safely say that the situation comes from the pusillanimity, meanness and indolence of our own managers. To these defects may be added a mole-like nature on their part which never sees, but only hears the approach of something or somebody. In the City of New-York we have, as a rule, a singularly imitative, if not ignorant, set of managers. There are, of course, exceptions, well known to the public and thoroughly recognized by the Press. The majority, however, are of the class we have described. The average manager cabbals his theatre, and that direful institution called an "agent" is at once spawned upon the town. Of old it was necessary to deal only with a proprietor or manager. Now it is absolutely essential for an artist to dance after the gorgeous agent—who is usually as beautiful and obliging as a hotel clerk. By this contrivance New-York is placed on the lowest level of provincialism. The theatres have no companies. Why should they? An agent will certainly make his appearance, and provide a sufficient entertainment for the evening. There is no scenery, because the agent has imported a mass of second-hand scenery from the other side, and there are no costumes for the same reason. The proprietor of the theatre simply stands by smirking—if it succeed. If it fails, he fails too—for he has nothing managerially to fall back upon. While this is going on our native artists are scattered, our home manufacture of art-material is destroyed, our dramatists are left at the mercy of FAGIN, and the taste of the public is utterly perverted. And perverted by what? By the thing called burlesque, and by the buffoonery called pantomime. A year or so since the hook was baited with the glow-worm called spectacle, and it landed a great many mistaken fish. And these are what England gives us to replace the healthful drama of old? Any one of the English agents might say of the American public as *Trinculo* said of the strange fish: "Were I in England now as once I was, and had but this fish painted, not a holiday fool there but would give a piece of silver; there would this monster make a man." Unfortunately, the tables are turned against us. We remain perhaps the monster, but we give the piece of silver—and a very large piece too.

## MINOR TOPICS.

The Governor's veto of the Whitehall Railroad appropriation of $250,000, was sustained by a large majority yesterday, in the State Senate. In the same House the Broadway Surface Railroad bill was, by a vote of three to one, laid on the table "until the 4th day of July next." We are glad to see that Governor HOFFMAN's veto was sustained. We hope the Legislature will be equally virtuous in regard to his vetoes of other schemes of extravagance, special privilege and special legislation.

The *Alta Californian* has "positive and authentic" information that President GRANT will "certainly" visit California during the coming Summer. It says that his advent will be an "occasion for the greatest enthusiasm ever witnessed in the State." This will be a very fine trip for GRANT after all his bother with the office-hunters, and it will give his mind relief from the distraction of the first months of his term.

"Corn is up, and generally large crops are planted," is the report from Mississippi. "The corn stand is pronounced the best" Georgia "has ever known," and the papers of the State "are glad to announce that our people have made up their minds to raise their own bread." "The corn crops" in Louisiana "are coming forth with the greatest promise." "Corn is generally planted, and a great deal of it is already up" in Texas. They are growing wiser down South; the war was a great educator.

Even before the coming of May time, the May flowers have made their appearance in the City in great profusion; and the little girls are going round the streets and stores on the sunny days offering their bouquets of roses and pansies, and heliotropes and fuschias and mignionette and honeysuckle and painter's-pencil and sweet-breath and arbor-vitæ and geranium leaves and verbenas and petunias, and so forth. These sweet flowers bring the townspeople in contact with nature, ever fresh and refreshing, and remind us that there are other things in the world besides greenbacks and shin-plasters, and horse-railroads.

The State Assembly has passed a bill to incorporate a Hansom Cab Company in this City. We hope the Senate will promptly concur, so that we may at last have something like a cab system that shall accommodate the people. The cabs known as "Hansom Cabs," from the name of the inventor, are peculiarly adapted to the use and convenience of business men. They are two-wheeled, and drawn by one horse, the driver sitting on top and above the passenger. They can be driven more rapidly than the four-wheeled cabs, and in London have displaced them to a very great extent. We believe there are now *two* of these cabs which ply for hire in our streets. We hope the Company will be chartered and the number of these conveyances greatly multiplied.

Spain has taken the most advanced ground in regard to suffrage—that is to say, the Cortes have voted almost unanimously to make it universal. In the last election for Deputies, the suffrage was universal, but only a small proportion of the people took the trouble to vote. The popular interest in politics will doubtless increase as the people become habituated to the discussion of public questions.

We have renewed proclamations of the purpose of the Street Commissioner to clear the sidewalks of obstructions; but we see very little signs of progress in actually doing it. The apple stands and peanut shanties are as thick as ever around the City Hall Park and other public places; dry goods boxes encumber the walks on all business streets; and projecting signs, entrances to cellars, and portices or steps entering houses greatly curtail the space available for pedestrians in Broadway. That street has come to be very largely used as a deposit for the stone blocks used in the pavement—to an extent far beyond what is required by the progress of the work. Half of the walk on both sides of the street is thus appropriated to promote the convenience of the contractors.

Beggary and beggars are increasing very rapidly in the City. The interposition of the Police is greatly needed. In the upper part of Broadway, and through Fifth-avenue, ladies cannot walk half a block without being followed and assailed, in the most persistent and clamorous manner, by women with babies, and by ragged boys and girls, all armed with pins, tapes or something to sell, in order to protect themselves from being taken as beggars. The nuisance is becoming intolerable; and as there are mainly professional beggars, who follow begging as a business, and not simply from necessity, there ought to be no hesitation on the part of the authorities in dealing firmly and frankly with it.

There cannot possibly be a greater injury to the interests of this City than the continuance of that state of things which has already resulted in giving away tens of thousands of our middle class of people to other localities to find residences, and which threatens in course of time to reduce our City population to the two classes of very rich and very poor. The Philadelphia *North American* contrasts the condition of Philadelphia with that of New-York in this respect:

"Philadelphia has prospered mainly by rendering comfortable the condition of her operative and middle classes; and it is our duty and our interest to continue and to extend this policy. We shall make a great mistake if we ever suffer ourselves to fall into the same line of policy as New-York."

The Philadelphia editor says the state of things in New-York, shows the working of systems of civilization of the European type, and that it can be traced to nothing more than the enormous power of combined capital.

Secretary BOREE, after consultation with Secretary HOAR, has issued a circular in regard to the eight hour question, or the length of time that constitutes a day's work in the Government Navy-yards. He says that while the law designates eight hours as a day's work, there is another law requiring him to fix the wages at the same rates as are paid in private establishments; and therefore, he cannot pay the same for eight hours as is elsewhere paid for ten. He will, however, pay men for ten hours if they work ten; and he authorizes Commandants to employ them in this way. In thus treating the subject, he is sustained by the Attorney-General, who also quotes as authority the opinion of his predecessor in office.

The proposal in the Dominion Parliament to make our Government responsible for the cost incurred in defending the Canadian frontiers against the Fenians is intended as a very sharp thrust at the Senate for rejecting the *Alabama* protocol, and is especially sharp at SUMNER and CHANDLER. It would doubtless be an easy matter to run up the bill of indemnity to several millions; for, besides the expense and trouble of calling out the volunteers, including the "Queen's Own," the British Government could tack on the cost of sending out several regiments of troops from England. We presume, however, that all this would be more than off set by our bill of costs for rebel raids from Canada, including those organized at St. Catharines.

The bill posters will have to take care hereafter where they stick up their bills, and what sort of bills they put up. The Street Commissioner, Mr. MCLEAN, has given notice of his intention to enforce the law which prohibits the posting of handbills in certain localities, and also the ordinance which prohibits the posting in any locality of medical handbills, or bills giving notice of the sale, or exposure to sale, of any nostrum or medicine. It has hardly been worth while to make laws, or print laws, on this subject heretofore, but if our present laws are enforced there will be an end to the defacement of natural scenery by disgusting quack advertisements, and also to the obscene handbills that from time to time make their appearance in all the streets of the City.

We once heard of an editor out West who always considered it wrong to reject anything that had been written for his paper. He looked on the *writing* as so much *labor* performed, which it was wasteful to throw away. He sometimes got queer things in his paper, but then he wasted nothing. This is one view of the way in which a newspaper ought to be edited.

## AMUSEMENTS.

### Musical Notes.

Miss KELLOGG flashes across our path pleasantly to-day on her way to other scenes of triumph. There will, therefore, naturally be a performance at the Academy of Music of "Faust," in which the lady's performance is esteemed one of the finest on the stage. She will be supported with the strength of the regular company, and the *matinée* will undoubtedly be the most brilliant of the season, especially as it is the last.

Mr. HARRY SANDERSON, the popular and brilliant pianist, takes his annual benefit at Irving Hall to-night. The programme includes the names of many of the best artists in the City, and Mr. SANDERSON himself will play a selection from his favorite *repertoire*.

The Liederkranz Society gives an unusually fine concert to-night at Steinway Hall, for the benefit of the German Hospital. There is an orchestra of fifty performers, and the full chorus of the Society. The soloists are Mme. FREDERICI, soprano; Mr. WENZEL KOPTA, violinist; Mr. FRED. STEINS, baritone; and Mr. FERDINAND VON ISTEN, pianist. The programme contains many numbers of unusual importance in a musical point of view, and it ends with the entire music of the "Walpurgisnacht," by MENDELSSOHN. We trust that the benevolent object contemplated by the Society will be fully accomplished, and that the German Hospital will be largely helped.

PLYMOUTH CHURCH CONCERT.

Dr. P. H. VAN DER WERDE, organist of the First Dutch Reformed Church, Brooklyn, will play at the thirteenth concert at Plymouth Church, Brooklyn, this afternoon.

### Theatrical.

BENEFIT OF MR. J. C. WILLIAMSON.

Mr. J. C. WILLIAMSON, a young, industrious and capable comedian, who has in turn been identified with the company of Wallack's Theatre and of the Broadway, is to benefit by a representation at the latter house to-night. The entertainment he offers is of an interesting character, and will be cooperated in by numerous popular artists. The plays are "Dick Swiveller" (a new dramatization of DICKENS' *Old Curiosity Shop*) and a farce, and Mrs. BARNEY WILLIAMS, Mrs. SIDNEY BROWN, and a host of volunteers, are to act. If Mr. WILLIAMSON be remembered by a very few of the many persons he has successfully striven to amuse, the Broadway Theatre will be filled.

### The New-York College of Dentistry.

*To the Editor of the New-York Times:*

In your report, given in to-day's TIMES, of the proceedings in Chambers of the Supreme Court in the case of The People of the State of New-York vs. The New-York College of Dentistry, you say, "It is charged that while the Infirmary was by law to be the resort of poor persons, whose teeth were to be operated upon by officers and students without charge, yet, in point of fact, some persons connected with the College have made large sums of money at the Infirmary." As your report makes this public statement—which neither appears in the morning papers nor was it stated by counsel—I solicit the publication of the following in answer:

The Infirmary of the New-York College of Dentistry was established as a charity for the poor of the City and the inmates of our charitable institutions. As such it has been conducted since the Fall of 1868. All professional services have been rendered free of charge, and instead of any money having been made by any one connected with the College from the receipts of the Infirmary, it has been kept open

# MEXICO.

**State of Mexico—Opening of Congress—Speech of Juarez—General Rosecrans—The March of Justice—The Budget—Romero's Opinion.**

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

MEXICO, Saturday, April 10, 1869.

It no longer requires a prophet in political science nor a conjurer to foresee and predict the ultimate fate of Mexico in its wild, mad gallop toward civil war, anarchy and final disintegration. The greatest farce on genuine republicanism, the greatest parody on American civilization, and the greatest proof of how wretchedly a country can be governed and its affairs mal-administrated, its destiny is no longer problematical, nor even distant. The calmness and prostration everywhere visible in this, its capital; the bands of prowling Medes and marauders scattered over the length and breadth of its soil; the accusations and recriminations interchanged between the representatives of the people and the members of the Government, all point to the approaching dissolution of the country, and, as a natural sequence, the final absorption by the United States. The native Mexicans in favor of this latter consummation are by no means few in number, nor is their influence insignificant. Heartily ashamed of having their country the butt for the ridicule of nations and the scorn of civilization, the only hopeful vista open to their gaze in the long avenue of the future is that which leads into the circle of the American Union. Well may they ask whither are we drifting? When are the days of savage military executions like those of Merida, incipient revolutions like NEGRETE's at Puebla, with robbery and extortion for their object, and the thousand *pronunciamentos*, to pass by? The very men who ask these questions are ready with their answer, and declare that the only hope for the country is in its speedy annexation to the United States. In view, however, of the startling situation of the country and the fatal crisis which threatens the existence of an independent nationality, what steps are taken by the Government and the legislators of the people to avert the catastrophe? Why, Congress meets and discussing the affairs of the country of minor importance, authorize the President, by a vote of 160 to 12, to recognize the Cuban revolutionists as belligerents whenever he may judge it convenient to do so. This is, doubtless, a very laudable proceeding on the part of the assembled wisdom of the country, only that, considering the number of men in brigades, battalions and minor detachments now in arms against the present Government of this unfortunate country, it is in exceedingly bad taste. It would be perfectly *en regle* if the various revolutionary forces in Mexico were to send delegates to a general convention, and, drafting resolutions favoring Cuban independence, transmit them by a special committee appointed for that purpose to the Cuban revolutionists to encourage them to persist in their undertaking; but for a Government whose very existence is threatened by men in arms against its authority to adopt such a resolution, seems to lack a good deal of consistency.

MESSAGE OF JUAREZ.

To judge from the tone of the following message of the Mexican President, who preserves with a sort of wonderful stoicism his equanimity in the midst of the dangers which threaten, there is no cause for apprehension, but much reason for congratulation:

"MESSRS. DEPUTIES: At the moment of commencing your sessions I can congratulate you with reason on the conclusion of the two most vital attempts against the public peace in Puebla and Yucatan during your absence. In a short interval of time those attempts were defeated, which, judging from other epochs, might have produced prolonged and lamentable consequences.

A short time sufficed for the entire dispersal of the insurgents of Yucatan, who had taken position of the City of Merida, but were forced to abandon it without having succeeded in their enterprise.

The rebellion installed itself also in the important City of Puebla, but on sending on the necessary elements the attempt was suppressed in nineteen hours, and there did not remain the smallest party to sustain the banner they had raised in rebellion.

In Tamaulipas those in rebellion against the authority of the State were being pursued with zeal and efficacy.

The Federal forces, conveniently distributed, protect all localities in which the rebels can menace, without ceasing to do so, time to pursue them. Reduced to small bands they are protected only by the accidents of a vast and sparsely-populated country. * * * It is expected, however, that they will soon be brought into complete subjection.

Unfortunately a new insurrection has taken place in Culiacan, and against the authorities of Sinaloa. The Federal forces marched immediately against the rebels, in accomplishment of their duty, which consists in maintaining the peace and sustaining the legitimate authority of the States."

I cannot, from its great length, give the whole of the message in the compass of an ordinary letter, but will touch on the most salient points of the document. President JUAREZ thinks that this latter movement in Sinaloa is of very little importance, and that it will be speedily suppressed. He says that the suppression of internal troubles after the foreign war constitute a title of honor for the army, who, since the struggle, have given manifest proofs of the true Republican spirit worthy of the sons of Mexico who fought with such courage and abnegation for the independence of the country. He says it is motive for lively satisfaction that the general opinion of the people constitutes the firm support of the country, and that it condemns all those who attempt to disturb its tranquillity. By the maintenance of peace he argued that attention can be given to the amelioration of the condition of society and to the extirpation of bad causes. He feels convinced that much of the disorder now prevailing is due to the marauding parties who rob and plunder merely paralyzing the march of society, and recommends Congress to take efficient measures for its prompt punishment. He advises the consideration by Congress of the Judiciary of the country, and suggests the establishment of trial by jury in the Federal Mexican district, and declares it to be the duty of Congress to encourage immigration and colonization by all means possible as being the true method of developing the resources of the country, agricultural as well as mineral. The President of the Republic then closes by reminding Congress of the necessity of making the requisite appropriations, and exhorts them to give this important question the preference to all others.

REPLY OF THE VICE-PRESIDENT OF CONGRESS.

One-half of this precious document is occupied in self-laudatory praises of the nobleness and heroism of the Mexican character in throwing off the yoke of foreign intervention. According to the statements contained in it, a person not posted on Mexican affairs or unacquainted with contemporaneous history, would hardly believe anything else other than that to Mexican valor alone was due the retirement of the French legions from the country, and not to the efficacy of Mr. Secretary SEWARD's energetic dispatches to the Court of the Tuileries at the time when BENITO JUAREZ had taken up his line on the northern border of the country, at El Paso, with only a river a stone's throw in width between him and a safe retreat into the United States. Everybody is aware, however, that gratitude is not one of the prevailing characteristics of the Mexican people, and the valor of which they now boast so loudly was quite chary of displaying itself during Marshal BAZAINE's administration of affairs in their country. The Vice-President of Congress, Mr. LERDO, then goes on to review the most pressing exigencies of the country, and provides (as far as words go) for the adoption of the strictest economy in all branches of the administration. Mr. LERDO congratulates himself, Congress and the people on the prompt suppression of the recent outbreaks, but prudently says nothing about the old chronic revolutions of Tamaulipas, Sinaloa and Sonora, and finishes with the expressed hope that civilization, peace, liberty and union are or may be definitively established on the soil of Mexico.

Taking both documents together and divesting them of the painfully egotistic self-worship which they contain, especially the latter, it must be conceded that they are two of the ablest State papers which have ever yet emanated from the curious Government of this more curious people. The theory advocated by each is thoroughly sound, but it yet remains to be seen if the patriotism so loudly vaunted will display itself in the acts of self-abnegation and devotion to the true interests of the country, which it so earnestly recommends. Congress, composed as it is of factions whose chief patriotism consists in defeating one another, contains in itself the germ of those lamentable dissensions that have so deeply taken root throughout the country, and which has borne and will continue to bear such evil fruits, and has always been attended with such pernicious consequences to the moral and material interests of the whole Mexican people at large.

THE MARCH OF JUSTICE.

While President JUAREZ is engaged in making the most praiseworthy suggestions, and Congress is reechoing the desires expressed by the head of the nation, especially regarding the through reform of all appertaining to he Judiciary, and the prompt punishment of crime, BENIGNO CANTO, the well-known assassin of General PATOUI, is feasting and entertaining his friends in Durango, and the opinion is generally expressed that he will undergo no punishment for the cowardly assassination of which he has been guilty. A Guanajuato paper, referring to the subject, says:

"Society beholds the manner in which assassins are treated, who through intrigue and adulation have arrived at the possession of high rank. CANTO is not only the assassin of the unfortunate General PATOUI, but also that of Mr. JOAQUIN CABALLERO at the time that he was Gefe Politico of San Miguel de Allende, and whose trial, if we are not mistaken, can be found in one of the halls of the Supreme Court of this State."

GENERAL ROSECRANS.

The report that General ROSECRANS has had a rupture with this Government and had demanded his passports are totally without foundation. A report is in circulation that LERDO offered ROSECRANS his passports, which is equally untrue. The General has had several protracted interviews with the President and LERDO, but they have been conducted with the utmost propriety and good feeling by the Minister, and the usual Mexican urbanity (and duplicity) has been displayed by the Mexican functionaries.

THE BUDGET.

There is a deficit in the budget presented to Congress of over $9,000,000, and all those who believe that Congress will fail to adopt the propositions of ROMERO, look decidedly "blue," and predict dissolution, revolution and anarchy fiercer than they have ever displayed themselves before. The condition of the country will be such, they assert, that the United States will have no alternative left but to come and take charge; in fact, ROMERO says as much in his official report, in which latter he uses the following strong language:

"It would be the height of absurdity to assert that a country so bounteously favored by nature, and with the elements of riches and natural advantages that you will rarely meet with in any other, could not rely upon sufficient funds to pay the expenses of its administration and conservation as an independent nation. If it were so, we ought to commence by abjuring our nationality, to renounce our independence; to confess our incapacity of governing ourselves by ourselves; to solicit the protection of some foreign Power and thus assume the character of colonies or provinces." PORTO CARRERO.

# THE GOLD HILL CALAMITY.

## The Fire in the Comstock Mines—Detailed Account of the Disaster—Efforts to Save the Victims—Heroic Conduct of Firemen and Miners—Women Begging to be Permitted to Go Down the Shafts—Heartrending Scenes.

*From the San Francisco Bulletin.*

VIRGINIA, Friday, April 9—12:10 P. M.

At 7 o'clock Wednesday morning the Crown Point men, forty-five in number, went down to their work. Twenty-five of them are dead. Immediately after, the Kentuck men began going down the same shaft. The Crown Point foreman went down in a cage with the Kentuck men, and at the 700-feet level remarked a smell more than common. He gave a signal to lower the cage to the 800-feet level; found the men there who had gone down a few minutes before all in confusion. The smoke was increasing and the gas asphyxiating the laborers. He gave a signal to hoist and bring up the men. There was great confusion and loss of time occasioned through the men crowding the cage. The engine worked at the greatest speed in bringing up the men. Only twenty-five seconds were spent in bringing them from the 100-feet level to the surface. They climbed up to the top of the cage to come up. The last men who came up the shaft alive, except BICKEL, say they heard men left behind jump down the shaft and fall on the dump. The cage went down again, and was brought up after the signal was given as rapidly as possible. It contained GEORGE BICKEL, who was insensible, bearing the dead body of his brother RICHARD, whom he had dragged into the cage, but could not support him. GEORGE never regained consciousness, though every remedy was tried, and died last evening. It was not known at the Yellow Jacket works that anything was wrong, until they were informed by the men from the Crown Point. The smoke soon became so dense in the hoisting works of the latter that the engineers could not see the marks on the ropes. All the windows and skylights had to be taken out to enable the men in the house to live in the winzes and shoots. Smoke and gas filled the Kentuck 700-feet level, and came up that shaft in a dense volume. No smoke came up the Yellow Jacket, but so much gas was at the bottom that the men could not get below the 800-feet level for some hours. No man in the Crown Point, 1,000, 900 or 240-feet levels escaped. Some men on the 1,000-feet level climbed up to the 900-feet level. One was found dead half way up to the 800-feet level, clasping the timber. Another reached the 900-feet level, and then groped 300 feet toward the Yellow Jacket and died. Another 150 feet would have carried him to the fresh air coming down the Yellow Jacket.

AN EXPLOSION.

The men say that soon after discovering the fire, and before they reached the 800 station, an explosion occurred. This is so. It lifted the cage in the mouth of the shaft two feet. Superintendent JONES, of the Crown Point, says there was no powder in the mine. The cause of the explosion is not known. It being supposed that the men on the 1,000-feet level were below the reach of fire, a message was sent down the Crown Point shaft, written on a cardboard, also a light, candles and water, as the men below would be quite ignorant of what had occurred by seeing the falling cinders, they might think the shaft afire. There were continual caves occurring. The rock was so heated that the firemen could not stand in the drifts, and the water, two inches deep, boiled on the floor. Other men, when the fire was subdued, went by the lower drifts to the foot of the Crown Point shaft and sent up the dead. They found in different places those who had fallen down the shafts so much mangled as not to be recognizable but by the clothing. Nearly all showed signs of great agony. Some are much cut and bruised, about the face by striking against jagged rocks or through running in the dark. All was done to encourage them and to warn them not to come up. The cage came back as it went down. There was no response and the light was out. These men were got out by yesterday, dead.

VAIN ATTEMPTS TO DESCEND.

As soon as it was safe a descent was made by the Yellow Jacket people, with hose and firemen, who played on the burning timbers in the 800-feet level, but were much incommoded by the lights being extinguished for want of air or by explosion. The men could not find their way. One man, who escaped, hearing a shriek of some one falling, groped on his hands and knees to the shaft. WELCH, one of the searching party, became asphyxiated, and being brought to the surface, it was some hours before he was restored. The gas at the Crown Point hoisting works was stifling; the engineers were blinded, and the cages went up to the sheaves. The men sent up to clear it fainted, and others behind them had to drag them away from the fumes. The scenes were terrible. Many men would have risked their lives by going down uselessly, but they were wholly restrained by the superintendent, or more lives would have been lost. Distracted wives begged to be allowed to go down on the cage for their husbands. Ladies even sought to go down the Crown Point and Kentuck shafts where men could not live thirty seconds below the surface.

A FARTHAL EXPLORATION.

Yesterday morning, by going down the Yellow Jacket, using the 700 level, and up the Crown Point shaft, the men succeeded in reaching the 800 feet level and groped about. At Station No. 1 men penetrated in the dark 30 feet into a drift and found a man sitting on a log, his head resting on his hand. Again last evening, the gas and smoke being less dense in the Crown Point shaft, the foreman and two others tried to get into the 800 feet level from below, and arranged with the Crown Point engineer, when a signal came from below to send the cage to them. It was done, and then the signal made to hoist slowly; then to lower, then to try again. At last they reached the level sought, but the lights went out, and they could not go six feet from the car. The signal to lower was responded to quickly; when they got back safely to the surface they sent a written message up by the empty cage, reporting their failure, to the great disappointment of the anxious crowd. Shortly afterward the men came to the surface by the Yellow Jacket shaft. To avoid accident from their losing consciousness before the time to signal, it was arranged to lower whenever they ceased signaling. At midnight last night, nothing more being possible until the mine was clear of gas, and there being no smell of burning wood, only steamy vapor, operations were suspended.

THE THIRD DAY—SUNRISE.

At 4 o'clock this morning the Crown Point and Kentuck shafts were clearer than they have yet been, but immediately after the smoke in the Crown Point began thickening and continued so, the fire having broken out again. At 6:30 a black, dense smoke had filled the house, and was pouring out of every aperture. The fire was evidently worse than ever. Some feared that the shaft itself would take fire. Superintendent JONES says that 200 feet of the drift is solid rock, with no timber between the fire and the shaft. PATRICK BUCKLEY's body was sent to Grass Valley. The remainder were taken charge of by various societies for burial. One large funeral passed through Virginia City this morning, under charge of 100 of the Miners' Union. Yesterday hundreds of people followed the various processions to the churches and cemeteries. Every flag in town is at half-mast. Most of the mills have partially resumed work to-day, though many men are absent attending funerals. The Coroner has summoned three juries, who have viewed the bodies. One will begin taking evidence this afternoon. So far, no charge of negligence is made against any one.

From the moment of the first alarm until BICKEL, the last man who came up with life in him, reached the surface, was only a few minutes. A cage capable of containing twice the number of men would have been the only chance. Had the Crown Point been employing the full number, or had the Kentuck men have been all down instead of many being stopped at the top by alarm, the loss would have been much greater. RICHARD BICKEL, JOSEPH MATHEWS and WM. MITCHELL were buried yesterday in the Gold Hill Cemetery, under the auspices of the Odd Fellows. A WHORT TOT was buried by the Miners' Union in the forenoon. Nine others were buried by the Miners' Union in the afternoon. HOGAN's body was sent to San Francisco last night.

THE FIRE BREAKS OUT ANEW.

GOLD HILL, Friday, April 9—8 P. M.

About 9 o'clock this morning matters—life excepted—looked more serious than they yet had. Thick black smoke, very hot and charged with large cinders, was coming up the Crown Point shaft, and up the Kentuck steam and poisonous vapor. Men went down in both cages of the Yellow Jacket, but soon had to come back. Either the old fire had broken out afresh and was burning more fiercely than ever, or the Kentuck itself was on fire. Both theories had their supporters, but on the spot the men all agreed—there was a fire raging below which endangered all three of the mines. In a few hours at most it was expected the Crown Point shaft would be in flames. The engineers, with every precaution, could only stand at their places a few minutes at a time.

THE SHAFTS SEALED.

As soon as the men who were in the Yellow Jacket could be recalled, it was determined to seal all three shafts and inject steam. The Yellow Jacket shaft is now floored over under the hoisting house. The air tube is cut off at the mouth, the timbers filled, air-tight, and a three-inch gas pipe introduced. This runs several lengths down the air pipe, and conveys steam into it at as high a pressure as the air tube will bear. The air tube goes direct to the place where the first fire was. The Kentuck shaft is also floored over, and men are piling on more dirt wherever a puff of vapor appears. This mine has no air tube, and steam is introduced by a large-sized gas pipe thirty feet down the shaft. The Crown Point is also sealed, and twenty men are piling dirt on the covering. The steam is also sent down a large pipe into the air tube, as that goes to the 1,100 feet shaft, and much would condense before reaching the fire. The Superintendents and the Chief Engineer of the Gold Hill Fire Department are satisfied that these measures will stifle the fire, but look upon its reduction as the work of time.

THE ORIGIN OF THE FIRE.

Until this morning, no one thought there was much danger of the mines being seriously injured, but the danger at 9 o'clock could hardly be overrated. It is thought there is fire in the Kentuck 800-feet level. If so, the explosion must have carried the fire fifty feet through a drift in which there was no timber. The explosion causes many strange surmises. The origin of the fire is doubtful. It could not have been burning long, because three hours before the men had passed through every part, and the earmen were down all the time. It is very possible some upon hitherto unknown, at least to gold mines, ignited. There certainly was a severe explosion felt both above and below. Men's hats were blown off by it, who afterward escaped. Some were probably killed outright, as in the fire-damp explosions. Others said the fire broke out from a candle, and the rocky sides of the drift becoming heated, acted as retorts to distilled gas from the pine timbers, a large body of which ignited and so spread the fire over a great space. All sorts of theories are afloat. It is evident that some unknown cause which there is no precedent has happened. It is a very serious affair for Gold Hill as well as for the stockholders, as some two or three weeks must elapse before work can be resumed; and there will be much caving in the levels where the fire is. No bodies have been got out since Yesterday morning.

NUMBER AND NAMES OF KILLED.

GOLD HILL, Friday, April 9—2:20 P. M.

The known loss of life is as follows: In the Yellow Jacket, 5; Kentuck, 7; Crown Point, 25. The bodies of GEO. EDWARDS, THOMAS LAITY, DANIEL O'NEIL and A. REINAT, Crown Point men, are lying in the 600-feet level. JOHN O'BRIEN and E. RYAN are in the 230-feet level. The bodies were brought from the four principal sewing-machine companies in New-York are licensed under Mr. FULLER's original "Notch" and "Blade" patent of June 5, 1860, as is also H. C. GOODRICH, the principal manufacturer of tackers in the New-York. Mr. FULLER has made tackers a "specialty" for the last nine years, and has found that to be *sure* and make a *sharp crease* on all kinds of goods, and yet not *injure thin* goods with dressing in, it was necessary to imitate a lady's fingers in "*pinching*" the cloth from the top. His old plan, under which the above companies are licensed, employed a rounded blade below, with a notch above, the notch to force the cloth over the blade, and thus make the crease. With this new process of "*pinching*" the cloth from the top, to make a crease, the sewing machines may be run to their full capacity without injuring the most delicate fabric, and double the amount of tucking may be done. I. W. BARNUM, Mr. FULLER's associate, has just opened an office at No. 636 Broadway, for the sale of their new improvements for all machines.—*New York Sun.*

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BROWN—BONNEY.—On Thursday, April 22, at the Washington-square Reformed Church, by Rev. Menelus S. Ralston, EDWARD F. BROWN to NELLIE, eldest daughter of the late Ex-Judge Benjamin W. Bonney, all of this City.

BRINCKERHOFF—VERMILYE.—At Englewood, N. J., on Thursday, April 22, by Rev. Thomas E. Vermilye, D. D., ELBERT A. BRINCKERHOFF, of Jamaica, L. I., to EMILY A., daughter of Washington R. Vermilye, of the former place.

ERUBE—WYLANTS.—On Thursday, April 22, at Nyack, on the Hudson, by Rev. Rowland H. Bourne, Rector of Grace Chapel, Mr. CHARLES A. BRUSH to E. BELLE WYLANTS, all of Nyack.

CRAIG—HELLINGS.—In the First Presbyterian Church, Brooklyn, E. D., on Wednesday, April 21, by Rev. Elbert S. Porter, D. D., Mr. ADAM CRAIG to Miss ANNIE ELIZABETH HELLINGS.

DANA—HANCOCK.—On Thursday, April 22, at the residence of Alexander Masterton, Esq., Bronxville, by Rev. Washington Roosevelt, FRANK DANA to EVELYN, daughter of the late William Edward Hancock, all of this City.

ELTING—HULBERT.—On Thursday, April 22, at the Reformed Church, White Plains, by Rev. V. M. Gilbert, D. D., E. ELTING, of New-York, to ANNIE, daughter of John T. Hulbert, Esq., of the former place.

KUHN—BRIDGMAN.—On Thursday, April 22, at the Fifth-avenue Hotel, by Rev. Thomas E. Vermilye, D. D., JOHN F. KUHN, of Detroit, Mich., to Miss EMILY F. BRIDGMAN.

PLUYGERS—VAN DER HORST.—At the residence of the bride's father, Newburgh, N. Y., on Wednesday, April 21, by Rev. Elbert S. Porter, D. D., Mr. HENRY PLUYGERS to Miss ANNA MARIA VAN DER HORST.

## DIED.

ACKERMAN.—Suddenly, at Brooklyn, on Monday, April 19, of rheumatism of the heart, Mrs. HARRIET J. ACKERMAN, widow of the late James Ackerman, of Hempstead Bay, L. I., in the 54th year of her age.

CONNOR.—Yesterday, at her late residence, No. 310 West 28th-st., CHARLES CONNOR, in the 69th year of his age.

Funeral on Sunday, the 25th inst., at 2 P. M.

HUNTINGTON.—On Wednesday, April 21, at Homer, N. Y., of scarlet fever, EVELYN FLORENCE, only child of Rev. R. W. and the late Evelyn Hitchcock, of this City, in the 4th year of her age.

Funeral services will take place at the residence of her grandparents, Homer, on Saturday, the 24th inst.

LECLERE.—At Yorkville, on Thursday, April 22, LOUIS ISIDORE LECLERE, native of Picardy, France, in the 74d year of his age.

His friends and those of his daughter are respectfully requested to attend the funeral service, which will take place in the Church of Rev. Dr. Crosby, corner of 4th-av. and 22d-st., this day, (Saturday,) April 24, at 2 o'clock P. M.

MARTIN.—In Brooklyn, on Friday, April 22, PRISCILLA, wife of John T. Martin, Esq.

The funeral services will be held at her late residence, No. 23 Pierrepont-st., on Monday afternoon at 4 o'clock.

PRAY.—Suddenly, at Jamaica, MATILDA R. and Dr. OSMYN M. PRAY.

Their funeral will take place from the Methodist Church, Washington-st., Brooklyn, at 1 o'clock on Sunday, April 25.

BUSHMORE.—Suddenly, at Jamaica, WM. C. BUSHMORE, Esq.

His funeral will take place from the Methodist Church, Washington-st., Brooklyn, at 1 o'clock on Sunday, April 25.

PINCHOT.—On Thursday, April 22, LUCY PHELPS, daughter of James W. and Mary E. Pinchot, in the 21 year of her age.

The funeral will take place from the house, No. 220 5th-av., on Saturday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

STURGES.—Suddenly, on Thursday, April 22, MINNIE C. STURGES, youngest daughter of Theodore and Eliza D. Sturges, aged 14 years, 3 months and 15 days.

The relatives and friends of the family are invited to attend the funeral from the residence of her parents, No. 87 State-st., Brooklyn, on Saturday, the 24th inst., at 10 o'clock A. M.

VAN NOSTRAND.—At Jamaica, N. Y., on Thursday, April 22, MARY VAN NOSTRAND, widow of the late John Van Nostrand, in the 76th year of her age.

The friends and relatives of the family are invited to attend her funeral from Grace Church, Jamaica, on Sunday at 3 o'clock P. M.

WOOD.—In Brooklyn, E. D., on Thursday, April 22, ORPHEUS C. Wood, in the 60th year of his age.

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# REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS.

There was but one sale at the Exchange Salesroom yesterday. The attendance was small, as might be expected, and no great amount of interest manifested. On Monday several pieces of desirable property will be offered, and the week generally promises to be quite interesting.

### Auction Sales Yesterday.

NEW-YORK.

*By James M. Miller.*

Leasehold of houses Nos. 264 and 266 West 119th-st., ground rent $175 on each lot, per annum, least 17 years, expires May 1, 1887, H. J. Hoffman ..... $17,000
Three-story house and lot No. 408 11th-st., lot 24x92.100, Mr. Marsden ..... 4,000

### Transfers of Real Estate.

NEW-YORK.

Elizabeth-st., No. 228, 20x94 block ..... $8,000
Kingsbridge Road, s. e. corner of 183d-st., 146.1 x 127x3 ..... 37,000
Stanton-st., n. s., 99.4 ft. e. of Attorney-st., 18.2x94 ..... 9,200
Wooster-place, n. s., 92.6 ft. w. of Greene-st., 22 x100 ..... 24,000
Eighth-st., No. 119, 19.7x100.11 ..... 12,000
2d-st., No. 112, 18.7x100 ..... 12,000
Fifth-st., n. s., 227 ft. w. of Avenue A, 22x77.5 ..... 11,000
84th-st., n. s., 344.4 ft. w. of 9th-av., 24.1x102.2 ..... 24,000
Fifth-st., n. s., 175 ft. w. of 2d-av., 25x92.2 ..... 17,000
111th-st., n. s., 24 ft. e. of Dry Dock-st., 18x100.4 ..... 18,000
140th-st., n. s., 224.9 ft. of Avenue A, 18.9x100.2 ..... 10,075
140th-st., n. s., 204.5 ft. e. of 5th-av., 25.11x99 ..... 7,000
140th-st., n. s., 179.5 ft. e. of Park-av., 20x100 ..... 7,000
140th-st., n. s., 103.1 ft. e. of 8th-av., 24.9x99.11 ..... 20,000
140th-st., n. s., 122 ft. e. of 8th-av., 25x99.11 ..... 20,000
140th-st., n. s., 118.4 ft. e. of 8th-av., 25.7x99.11 ..... 20,000
140th-st., n. s., 244.4 ft. e. of 8th-av., 18.4x99.11 ..... 13,125
140th-st., n. s., 112 ft. w. of 9th-av., 24x99.11 ..... 10,125
140th-st., n. s., 268 ft. e. of 9th-av., 100x99.11 ..... 8,000
140th-st., n. s., 368 ft. e. of 9th-av., 100x99.11 ..... 14,000
140th-st., n. s., 168 ft. w. of 10th-av., 25x99.11 ..... [illegible]
140th-st., n. s., 225 ft. e. of 12th-av., 50x99.11 ..... 3,000
140th-st., n. s., 68 ft. e. of 8th-av., 17x99.11 ..... 8,125
140th-st., n. s., 200 ft. e. of 8th-av., 25x99.11 ..... 13,000
140th-st., n. s., 375 ft. w. of 11th-av., 150x99.11 ..... 20,000
140th-st., n. s., 43 ft. e. of Madison-av., 50x99.11 ..... 10,000
141st-st., n. s., 424.8 ft. e. of 5th-av., 25.8x100.9 ..... [illegible]
141st-st., n. s., 125 ft. w. of 8th-av., 50x100.9 ..... 14,000
141st-st., n. s., 375 ft. w. of 4th-av., 50x100.10 ..... 4,000
142d-st., n. s., 400 ft. e. of 8th-av., 50x99.11 ..... 5,000
2d-av., s. e., 24.4 ft. n. of 9th-st., 24.4x125 ..... [illegible]
Thompson-st., s. s., 17 ft. n. of Chrystie-st., irregular ..... [illegible]
8th-av., s. e. corner of 109th-st., 99.4x72x100.8x119 ..... 49,000
9th-av., s. e. corner of 119th-st., 25x102 ..... 14,700
9th-av., w. s., 25.5 ft. n. of 59th-st., 25x100 ..... 8,000
9th-av., w. s., 95.8 ft. n. of 60th-st., 25x100 ..... 9,000
9th-av., e. s., 44 ft. n. of 36th-st., 44x92 ..... 17,200
9th-av., e. s., 79.3 ft. n. of 42d-st., 19.8x100 ..... 8,000
11th-av., e. s., 100 ft. n. of 52d-st., 25x100.5 ..... 7,000
11th-av., w. s., 69.11 ft. n. of 143d-st., 50x100 ..... 10,000

Lease Recorded.

New Bowery, No. 343, 3 years, per annum ..... $1,800
Pearl-st., No. 123, 1 year ..... 2,750
14th-st., No. 104, 3 years, per annum ..... 1,200
Avenue C, No. 115, 3 years, per annum ..... 1,000
1st-av., No. 221, 3 years, per annum ..... 600

KINGS COUNTY.

Brooklyn.

Baltic-st., s. s., 225 ft. e. of Rogers-av., 40.4x34.6x 53.8x35 ..... [illegible]
Butler-st., n. s., 100 ft. w. of Perry-st., 22x100 ..... $1,250
Chauncey-st., n. s., 200 ft. e. of Patchen-av., 25.11 x70x38.7x70 ..... 600
Church-st., cor. Steward-av., easterly corner, (New-Utrecht) 90x135 ..... 2,300
Clarkson-st., s. s., about 200 ft. e. of new road from Brooklyn, 20x100.16 ..... 2,000
Clinton-st., e. s., 25 ft. s. of Pacific-st., 25x100 ..... 6,500
Dean-st., s. s., 204.4 ft. n. of Pierrepont-st., 50x100 ..... 14,500
Concord-st., s. s., 200 ft. s. w. of Lexington-av., Fort Hamilton, 50x125, B. and S. ..... 100
Cumberland-st., s. s., 146.7 ft. w. of Henry-st., 24.8 x108.10x26.2x100.10 ..... 9,000
Cumberland-st., w. s., 167.1 ft. s. of Flushing-av., 18.8x100 ..... 3,000
Dean-st., s. s., 100 ft. w. of Nevins-st., 20x100 ..... 3,000
Dean-st., n. s., 41.6 ft. w. of Nevins-st., 20x100 ..... 9,000
Degraw-st., n. s., 100 ft. w. of Franklin-av., 50x 100x30 ..... 575
Ellery-place, n. s., 60 ft. w. of Franklin-av., 124.8x 118x120 ..... 1,575
Degraw-st., n. s., 75 ft. w. of Hoyt-st., 18.6x100, (q. c. 1862) ..... [illegible]
Degraw-st., n. s., 75 ft. w. of Hoyt-st., 18.6x100 ..... 2,400
Dean-st., n. s., 216.8 ft. s. of Grand-av., 66.8x118 ..... 15,000
Devoe-st., s. s., 212.6 ft. e. of Ewen-st., 18.9x100 ..... 2,800
Eagle-st., n. s., 270 ft. e. of Greenpoint-av., 30x100 ..... 2,000
Elliott-place, w. s., 42 ft. n. of Harrison-st., 21x100 ..... 16,000
Elliott-place, w. s., 99 ft. n. of Moserole-st., 20x100 ..... 7,100
Grove-st., n. s., 580 ft. w. of Central-av., 60x200 ..... 5,000
Hancock-st., s. s., 80 ft. e. of Tompkins-av., 40x100 ..... 3,000
Henry-st., e. s., 75 ft. s. of Clarke-st., 25x100 ..... 15,000
Henry-st., w. s., 43 ft. n. of Woodhull-st., 20x95 ..... 14,500
Herkimer-st., s. s., 215.3 ft. e. of Troy-av., 15.8x 100.4 ..... 2,750
Houston-st., s. s., 24 ft. e. of Myrtle av., 40x100 ..... 600
Hyvesant-st., w. s., 75.5 ft. s. of Park-av., 20x100 ..... [illegible]
Hoyt-st., n. s., 97.11 ft. s. of 1st-st., 80x11.8x30x77.1 (mistake in late conveyance) ..... 10,000
Locust-st., e. s., 404 ft. s. of Brooklyn and Jamaica road, 100x150 ..... [illegible]
Rapelyea-st., s. s., 419 ft. e. of Brooklyn and Jamaica road, 12x100 ..... 1,000
Pacific-st., n. s., 95.9 ft. w. of Flatbush-av., 202 x20x95.2 ..... 3,100
River-st., s. s., 200 ft. e. of Harrison-av., 20x100 ..... [illegible]
Scholes-st., n. s., 101 ft. w. of Lee-av., 21x100x22x100 x120 ..... 14,000
Sackett-st., n. s., 125 ft. e. of Leonard-st., 25x100 ..... 2,775
St. Mark's-place, s. s., 100 ft. w. of Hudson-av., 40 x70 ..... 6,000
Union and Nevins-sts., s. e. corner, 100x80 ..... 800
Van Buren-st., n. s., 100 ft. w. of Classon-av., 100 x28.10x107.4 ..... 2,700
Van Brunt-st., s. s., 211 ft. s. of Degraw-st., 19.6x 100 ..... 4,000
Walworth-st., w. s., 207.9 ft. n. of Myrtle-av., 22x 100 ..... 800
South 9th-st., n. s., 118.10 ft. e. of 3d-st., 20.10x80 ..... 1,800
3d-st., n. s., 100 ft. n. w. of 4th-av., 25x100 ..... 1,700
3d-st., n. s., 75 ft. w. of 4th-av., 25x100 ..... 1,700
23d-st., s. s., 250 ft. w. of 5th-av., 25x100 ..... 600
26th-st., n. s., 250 ft. e. of 4th-av., 25x100.2 ..... 600
Atlantic-av., s. s., about 264 ft. w. of Railroad-av., 24.6x98.9 ..... 200
Bushwick-av., n. e. s., 150 ft. n. w. of Chestnut-st., 25x100 ..... 1,200
Gilbert-st., w. s., 100 ft. s. of Pacific-st., 41.10x95 ..... 2,400
Lot No. 15 and part of No. 17, Hugh Smith, die map Bushwick, 24.6x98.9 ..... 1,800
New-Utrecht, lots Nos. 16 and 17, map No. 5, Fort Hamilton, B. and S. ..... 120

Lease Recorded.

Meserole-st., No. 41, store, &c., 3 years, per year ..... $600
Myrtle-av., No. 120, 3 years, per year ..... 900
North 3d-st., and Union-av., 2 years and 8 months, lease 1868, 5 years, per year ..... 750

QUEENS COUNTY.

*Laurel Hill.*

Pennsylvania, n. s., 88 ft. e. of Clifton-av., house and lot, 50x100 ..... $2,600

*Newtown.*

Old Flushing road, n. s., Suydam's, 10 acres ..... $10,000
Flushing to Newtown road, adjoining Vanderbilt's, (Suydam's), 21 acres ..... 15,000

*Oyster Bay.*

Coles-st., n. s., lots Nos. 251 to 260, Cole's estate } Valentine-st., n. s., lots Nos. 260 to 281, Cole's estate } $840
North Hempstead, near Flushing pike, e. s., adjoining Hegeman's, 4½ acres ..... 200
Round Swamp road, adjoining Josh Hubbs', 105 acres ..... 5,000

*Westbury.*

Crocker's Path road, adjoining Roberts', 4 acres ..... $150

WESTCHESTER COUNTY.

*Bedford.*

Harlem Railroad, w. s., adjoining W. S. Carr's, Geo. Van Kleeck's property ..... $600

*Cortlandt.*

Main-st., s. s., adjoining S. J. Jacobs', 38x100 ..... $1,750

*East Chester.*

4th-av., e. s., part lot No. 277 Mount Vernon, 50x108 ..... $4,600

*Greenburg.*

Woodland-av., w. s., 100 ft. n. of Mekeel-st., C. Curtis ..... $20,000

*Morrisania.*

William-st., s. w. s., lot No. 26, Melrose, 50x100 ..... $1,000
3d-st., s. s., part of lot No. 20, Morrisania, 50x200 ..... 6,000

*Mount Pleasant.*

Valley-st., w. s., 100 ft. n. of Wilsey-st., 70x100 ..... $2,500

*Corlaing.*

Ellis-place, e. s., lots Nos. 5 and 6, map Ellis' estate, 71x99 ..... $4,000

*Westchester.*

West Farms to Unionsport road, s. w. s., E. Magee', 20 acres ..... $20,227

*West Farms.*

Kingsbridge road, 175 ft. n. w. of Madison-av., 25x174 ..... $600
Madison-av., and Morris-st., s. w. corner, 101x120 }
Orchard-st., s. w. s., 100 ft. s. of Madison-av., 100 } 4,600
x120 }
7th-av., e. s., lot No. 52 Mt. Eden, 50x100 ..... $80

*White Plains.*

Brookfield-st., w. s., adjoining E. Harris' 50x125 ..... $700

*Yonkers.*

Atherton-st., e. s., 100 ft. s. of Locust-st., 50x100 ..... $1,200
Elmwood-st., s. s., 100 ft. e. of Chestnut-st., 50x100 ..... 1,300
Jefferson-st., w. s., lot No. 80, 25x88 ..... 550

NEW-JERSEY.

*Newark.*

Boyd-st., e. s., 425 ft. n. of Kinney-st., 25x100 ..... $300
Boyd-st., e. s., 425 ft. n. of Kinney-st., 25x100 ..... 600
Commerce-st., e. s., indefinite locality, 25x80 ..... 4,000
Commerce-st., e. s., 125 ft. w. of Washington-st., 25x100 ..... 4,250
Park-st., n. s., indefinite locality, 25x170 ..... 14,000
Sheffield and Quarry sts., 65 ft. from corner of, 25x80 ..... 600
West Kinney-st., e. s., indefinite locality, 50x100 ..... 4,000
18th-av., indefinite corner, 25x100 ..... 400

*Bellleville.*

Cottage-st., s. s., indefinite locality, 62x120 ..... $1,000

*Bloomfield.*

Lake-st., e. s., indefinite locality, 87x200 ..... $400
Montgomery-st., s. s., indefinite locality, 9 96-100 acres ..... 3,200

*Caldwell.*

Three indefinitely located tracts 9 64-100 acres ..... $4,800
Two indefinitely located tracts, 10 57-100 acres ..... 1,000

*Montclair.*

Indefinitely located plot, 14 21-100 acres ..... $19,000
Indefinitely located plot, 13 6-100 acres ..... 16,320

*Orange.*

Lumber-st., e. s., indefinite, 80x186 ..... $600

*East Orange.*

North Park-st., w. s., 2 indefinite tracts, 41x122 and 50x125 ..... $1,200

*Woodside.*

Cottage-st., n. s., indefinite 40x120 ..... $2,000

HUDSON COUNTY.

*Jersey City.*

Monmouth-st., w. s., 57 ft. s. of South 4th-st., 25x 100 ..... $1,400
South 2d-st., s. s., 100 ft. e. of Jersey-av., 25x100 ..... 7,000
South 6th-st., s. s., 187.5 ft. e. of Coles-st., 18.75x100 ..... 4,000

*Hudson City.*

Jefferson-st., s. s., lot Nos. 19, 20, block No. 84, Vanderbeck & Mills division map, 50x100 ..... $2,200
Fremont-st., n. s., 110 ft. e. of Bergen road-av., 25x100 ..... 1,100
Washington-st., e. s., 100 ft. n. of Hart-st., 25x100. 375
Van Winkle-st., e. s., 100 ft. s. of Hart-st., 25x100. 375
Van Winkle-st., e. s., 100 ft. s. of Hart-st., 25x100. 375

Lots Nos. 12, 24, block B, map of D. Van Riper's property ..... 9,200

*Bergen.*

Union-st., n. s., 425 ft. w. of Concord-st., 50x125 ..... $900

*Bergenne.*

Bergenne-av., n. s., 325 ft. w. of Avenue C, 125x 150 ..... 87
Stockton-st., 225 ft. s. of Bergen road, 2 100-1000 acres ..... 9,000

*Union.*

Lots Nos. 47, 49, block No. 4, map of North Union, each 75x100 ..... $800

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ON THE EAST BANK OF THE HUDSON.

For sale, a country seat and farm of over 100 acres, about one hour by express railway from New-York. Location, east bank of the Hudson, on high ground, with views north up and down, very extensive and inland east and west; one of the most desirable places to be found anywhere; dwelling large, green-house and greenery, fruit and ice houses, stable, cow-house, fruited with American and European varieties of best quality; coach-house and stable accommodating, barns and other outbuildings on a large scale, and modern in all their details; in high state of cultivation; horned cattle, pigs and poultry in abundance; also tools and utensils in full equipment; house furnished. To be sold as an entirety, real and personal. Property is well worth $100,000. Possession of five days' notice. Inquire of HOMER MORGAN, No. 2 Pine-st.

FOR SALE—"LOCHLAND," THE ELEGANT country seat of Greene Smith, built and formerly occupied by Geo. Z. Stone, Esq., of New-York City, consisting of forty-four acres on the Lake Road, Seneca Lake, half a mile south of the beautiful village of Geneva; the improvements consist of a handsome and commodious three-story brick dwelling-house, with all the modern conveniences; the grounds are laid out and handsomely laid out with strawberry (there are spacious stables, boat-house, bath-house, ice-house, filled with ice), gardens, abundance of fruit, tenant-house and barns, and other outbuildings generally. This is a rare chance to purchase one of the most complete and desirable of country residences. For terms apply to the undersigned, or apply to HOMER MORGAN, No. 2 Pine-st., where photographs and survey can be examined; or to GERRIT H. SMITH, Geneva, New-York.

FOR SALE—ON LAKE MOHEGAN, WESTchester County, four miles from Peekskill, nine miles south of Lake Mahopac, and adjoining the residence of G. Merle, Esq., of Brooklyn, a large SWISS COTTAGE, containing twelve rooms, kitchen, laundry, hot and cold water, bath-room, ice-house, cellars, with five stalls and three finished rooms for servants; ice-house filled. On the lake there is a dock, boat and bath-house; grounds, which consist of 7½ acres, are laid out tastefully and set with every variety of strawberry, ornamental and fruit trees, and surround an extended view of the mountain scenery and lake; never-failing supply of excellent water. Also, the furniture, if desired. Possession immediately.

For price, permit and views apply to P. G. HARMON, No. 121 Broadway, or E. H. LUDLOW & CO., No. 3 Pine-st.

FINE RESIDENCE FOR SALE.—IN THE VICINITY OF NEW-YORK CITY, WITH educational and other advantages as a home are unsurpassed in the country. Location central, within five minutes of railroad station, churches and business centers; beautiful neighborhood; healthy; and quiet. House nearly new, substantially built, handsomely finished, well supplied with all modern conveniences, contains sixteen finished rooms, splendid stable, ice-house, green-house, gardener and cottage. Grounds pleasant, available for building other dwellings, and rapidly increasing in value. Furniture will be sold with the house if desired. Reason for selling, breaking up housekeeping. For price, terms, &c., apply to HOMER MORGAN, No. 2 Pine-st.

COUNTRY SEAT FOR SALE—ON THE east bank of the Hudson River.—For sale a country seat, on high ground, at Hyde Park, treating 1,600 feet on the Hudson River, and commanding one of the superb views of the river and inland; the mansion is located in a fine grove of lofty forest trees; it is about 40 feet square with an addition 20x30 feet, containing in all about 15 large rooms, 3 water-closets, bath-room, water and gas throughout, 2 furnaces, bells, speaking-tubes, marble mantels and grates in every room, and all in perfect repair; barns, stables, gardener's house, gate house, greenhouse, &c., all in good order; 45 acres of ground, all under the highest state of cultivation; price $20,000. Apply to HOMER MORGAN, No. 2 Pine-st.

A BEAUTIFUL COUNTRY SEAT AT Mount Vernon, Westchester County, for sale at a great bargain.—Mansion of 14 rooms, with all the family conveniences; consisting of 11 acres choice land, several fine building sites, with Italian cottage, 11 rooms, 2½ story, plain and neat; situation perfectly healthy, high and commanding; very tastefully laid out with shrubbery, &c.; one mile from salt water, and less than a mile from New-Haven depot; an abundance of choice fruit, all kinds; with a never-failing brook running through the premises; fish pond, ice-house, carriage-house, good stables, &c.; every way suitable for a gentleman's residence, and only 15 miles from the City. Possession in March. Apply immediately to EUGENE CHEVALLIER, No. 11 Cedar-st.

FOR SALE—AT BRIDGEPORT, CONN., "Lindenwald," built by P. T. Barnum for his lifelong residence; the most delightful and complete country seat in America; price $60,000. Also, "The Poplars," Park Avenue, Bridgeport, Conn.; price $9,000, and several other nice houses in Bridgeport. For pictures and printed details apply to D. W. BREWSTER, Bridgeport, Conn.; or G. HAULDING & CO., Stamford, Conn., or No. 261 4th-av., New-York; MALLORY & BLACKWELL, No. 45 Liberty-st.; HOMER MORGAN, No. 2 Pine-st; WALLING, HALL & CO., No. 2 Chambers-st; F. W. RENEDICT, No. 38 Pine-st, and No. 386 6th-av., New-York.

ATTENTION! ALL WANTING FARMS!—Choice farms and fruit lands, village lots, water-powers for manufacturing, for sale, in Brickburg, Ocean County, N. J., forty hour miles from New-York on railroad; very healthy; sell the best soil, superior for fruit; country just rolling enough for beauty and utility; climate mild and proverbially healthy; water soft and pure; no fever and ague; soil only $1 an acre; on easy terms; price, per acre, $25 full grown. For circulars and maps address, as above, R. W. BRIGHAM, Agent of Brickburg; ROBERT CAMPBELL, No. 152 Broadway, New-York.

FOR SALE—AT GREAT NECK, L. I., 12 miles from New-York, 35 acres of the choicest land on the Island, with water front, very desirable for villa sites, in plots from 3 to 10 acres, 1 mile from landing; 3 from depot; communicates with City by express boat; also, 10 acres, nearly finished, all ready for the occupancy of gentlemen doing business in the City. Terms easy. For maps and particulars, apply to R. A. LAWRENCE, OAKLEY & FILBURT, No. 11 Pine-st.

FOR SALE OR TO LEASE—FURNISHED cottage, with 10 rooms, &c., pleasantly situated in the beautiful village of Westfield, N. J., 1 mile from New-York City Hall; an acre and a quarter of ground; fine views, variety of small fruits, vistas, &c.; prefer to lease for a term of years to an approved tenant. For full particulars address R. J. W., New-York Times Office.

ORANGE, N. J.—FOR SALE OR TO LET, furnished, a first-class country residence on Harrison-st., near Orange park; 12 rooms; 1 tree acres of ground and ornamental grounds; fruit trees; grand views in full bearing; property in good condition, gardener's cottage, stable, &c.; elegantly furnished and in complete order. BLACKWELL & SMITH, No. 239 Broadway, or Orange.

$3,000 ON HOUSE AND LOT FOR five minutes from depot; city minutes from New-York; large, etc.; excellent, for commutation, $21; rent, $30; cost, $3,000; rent $300; cost, $3,000; sitting-room, and three bedrooms. Reason of sacrifice, sickness. A. J. RITTER, Rahway, N. J.

FOR SALE, EXCHANGE, OR TO LET—FURnished or unfurnished, a modern house, with all the improvements, just built, on the Long Branch road, near Elizabeth, N. J., 1 mile from depot; 1 acre of ground; 7 rooms; price, $4,000; cost, $7,000. Also, a three-story house on Frederick-st., Brooklyn. For particulars and views of the same apply to the owner, F. G. ALLEN, No. 1 Pine-st.

FOR SALE—IN ONE OF THE FINEST LOCALITIES in Orange, N. J., a new house, containing 12 rooms, marble mantels, gas, hot and cold water, bath-room, &c.; lot 80x175, on paved street; no brownstone; cellar 7 feet; 1 mile from depot; price $8,000; part cash. For particulars address C., Box No. 121 Times Office.

# COUNTRY REAL ESTATE.

FOR SALE OR TO RENT, ON STATEN ISLAND.—A large brick house, Italian style, with ten acres of land; hot and cold water through the house, with gas and all modern improvements; green-house and stables. The grounds are laid out with shrubbery, forest trees, and stocked with the choicest fruits. These premises are on the finest site on the Island, commanding a beautiful view of the Bay, Hudson and East Rivers, and situated at Clifton, about five minutes' walk from the ferry. Inquire of C. BAINBRIDGE SMITH, No. 115 Broadway.

FOR SALE—AT A DECIDED BARGAIN, fifty minutes from the City, on East Hill, Tompkinsville, S. I., with immediate possession, a very pretty cottage, with modern improvements, gas, fruit trees, vines, &c., at the low price of $6,000; cost $10,000 each regular. Also, on the same street, Clifton, S. I., a cottage, eleven rooms; $4,000; half on mortgage. Permits of A. JOURNEAY, 1 Pine-st., N. Y.

AT STRATFORD, CONN., ON THE NEW-Haven Railroad, 1 hour from New-York, nine rooms; half acre; five minutes' walk from depot; will be sold cheap, or rented furnished or unfurnished. Apply to WRIGHT, MERRIHEW & ARNOUX, No. 42 Wall-st., R. R. WHITE, Esq., Cashier of Grocers' Bank, or Depot Master, Stratford.

FOR SALE CHEAP—A SMALL PLACE in New-Jersey, one hour from New-York by rail, three-fourths of a mile from station; half acre of ground well laid out, garden made, trees and shrubbery; house contains eight rooms, good cellar; water in the house; new outbuildings; variety of shade and fruit; school and church close by. Apply at the office of ROMAINE, RAIN & CO., No. 62 Pine-st.

FOR SALE OR TO LET—IN HUDSON City, N. J., a three-story and basement brick house, with gas, water, and modern improvements; gardener's house, and about half an acre of ground; inquire of R. M. ROGERS, corner of Palisade and Bergen avenue, Hudson City, or at the office of the West Hoboken horse railroad, from Hoboken, or of E. HAMBLEN, No. 111 Broadway, New-York, Room 10, basement, Trinity Building.

FOR SALE—AT CLIFTON, S. I., ONE HOUR from Wall-st., an elegant house, 14 rooms, completely furnished, and in thorough order; gas, bath, hot and cold water, &c.; 14 acres laid out in lawn; abundance of fruit, good vegetable garden; commodious stable, horses, carriages, cows, poultry; in fact complete in every respect and ready for immediate occupancy; $20,000; terms easy. FAY BROTHERS.

FOR SALE OR TO LET—FURNISHED, at Mount Vernon, Westchester County, half an hour from City and fifteen minutes from station, the country seat of Mrs. Stroughton; six acres, large mansion, lodge, ice-house, stable, coach-house, &c.; ornamental grounds, with garden and fruit. HOMER MORGAN, No. 2 Pine-st.

FOR SALE—AT NEW-PROVIDENCE STATion, 24 miles from New-York, by Morris and Essex Railroad, country seat; house, 2 stories and building; 4 acres; fruit and shade trees; excellent fishing, bathing, &c. Apply to W. T. BLLIOTT, No. 71 Broadway, Room No. 61.

NEWARK, N. J.—A CORNER HOUSE FOR sale; well situated, ten minutes' walk from station; three stories, French roof; containing ten rooms and all the modern improvements; lot 25x100; $9,000. A. D. MELLICK, Jr., & BRO., No. 36 Pine-st.

JERSEY CITY.—FOR SALE, ON WARREN-st., in a desirable location, a first-class house, 22x38, three story and basement; three minutes' walk from the ferry; $11,500, half cash. Inquire at Nos. 71 and 73 Newark-av., Jersey City.

FOR SALE—EXCHANGE FOR CITY PROPerty, in Ogdensburg, N. Y., a farm of 3 acres of land, house, small barn and stable, good orchard, well, &c. For particulars inquire of S. G. COOKE, office, No. 123 Bowery, this day from 9 A. M. to 1 P. M.

AT ELIZABETH.—J. M. MEEKER OF-fers for sale his residence, 10 rooms, 2 acres of ground, from 10 to 100 acres, in vicinity of the city. Descriptive list sent free. Nos. 71 Cedar-st., New-York, and 223 Broad-st., Elizabeth, N. J.

FOR SALE OR TO RENT—A DESIRAble house and grounds at Clifton, Staten Island; charming location; immediate possession. Inquire of LEVI COOK, No. 30 Wall-st.

FOR SALE OR TO LET.—FURNISHED house, 1 acre of ground, and superior outbuildings, two miles from Stamford Depot; plenty of choice fruit. Address Box No. 2,469 Post Office.

# DWELLINGS TO LET.

AT BAY SIDE—ON LITTLE NECK BAY, 1 mile from the Bay side depot of Flushing and Northshore Railroad, 35 minutes from Hunter's Point ferries, the elegant country seat "Bay Lawn;" house handsomely furnished; 10 feet square, twenty-five rooms, bath-room; large lawn, grounds, greenery, ice-house, stables, bathing-house; abundant fruit and ornamental trees; to rent for the season or year; immediate possession; rent, $1,000. Also, "Cedar Grove," furnished. Apply to MRS. A. H. MICKLE, on the premises, or to LAWRENCE & OAKLEY, No. 11 Pine-st.

TO LET—AT PLAINFIELD, N. J., A COUNtry seat situated in the neighborhood of Fanwood Park, containing 11 rooms, with all the modern improvements; the house is in complete repair, beautifully situated on high and commanding ground, containing twelve rooms, with six acres of land, a large apple-orchard and a good supply of various kinds of choice fruits. Also, a large barn on the premises. Rent $600 per annum. Apply to ISAAC C. RIGGINS, Nos. 123 and 125 Williams-st., New-York, or to EDWARD CORY, corner of Second and Washington sts., Plainfield, N. J.

THORNTON M. BODMAN, REAL ESTATE Agent, No. 1 Great Jones-st., offers to let three-story brick house, No. 125 Waverley-place; has modern improvements; rent $1,200; also, entire upper part of house No. 147 Waverley-place, in good order; rent $600; both of the above premises will be put in good order; also, stores and rear rooms, and other rooms in house No. 49 Hudson-st. Also, four-story brown-stone front, No. 62 West 14th-st., will be put in good order. Rent $1,800.

FOR SALE OR LEASE—AN ELEGANT Residence at Ravenswood, L. I., directly opposite 26th-st., New-York, five minutes' walk from landing, 20 minutes from City; 1 acre of ground; well fruited; handsomely laid out; fruit and shade trees; lawn extends down to East River; mansion substantially built, with every convenience; admirably-arranged carriage-house, stable, &c. A commodious ice-house, &c.; perfectly healthy. Apply to T. R. MCALLISTER, No. 49 Nassau-st.

TO RENT FOR THE SEASON—PLUM POINT.—An elegant country seat on the Hudson, 31 miles below Newburg, and 1½ above Cornwall Landing; a large, fine house, furnished; stables, garden, ice-house, and fruit; the place is beautifully wooded; a large and retired river front; superb views, and extensive pleasure grounds. Apply to W. M. VERPLANCK, No. 5 Park-place; HOMER MORGAN, No. 2 Pine-st., or on the premises, to P. A. VERPLANCK.

AT MORRISTOWN, N. J.—TO LET, A newly-furnished dwelling-house, with about four acres of land; location high; size of house 60x80; gas throughout, demi-water; 2 cisterns; a good well; choice fruit; large kitchen; ice-house filled; fruit and shade trees; new stables, accommodating four horses and carriages; sixteen trains daily by M. & E. R. R. Inquire of or address T. CHIDSEY'S ESTATE, No. 123 Broadway, Room No. 1.

TO LET FURNISHED—FOR THE seasons or by the year, at Uniontown, N. J., on the New-Jersey Railroad, 22 miles from the City, a beautiful country residence, on high rolling ground; very healthy; house contains 12 rooms; grounds 3 acres of 100 acres of cultivated land; large new dwelling; horses, carriages, ice-house filled; garden, fruit trees, stables; for particulars inquire of J. D. GILMOR, No. 285 Greenwich-st.

TO LET IN WILLIAMSBURG, NEAR the ferries, a three-story brick house, furnished or unfurnished; two lots in common; beautiful locality; owner and wife removing second floor, would board for the rest if agreeable, or divide the premises with another couple willing to take charge. Address Box No. 1,210 New-York Post Office, stating name and reference.

TO LEASE — PREMISES CORNER OF Great Jones-st. and Lafayette-place; size 24.11x8 with twenty-brick housed, 6 feet and stables 18.11x30; will be altered if required for business purposes to suit a desirable tenant. Apply to LEONARD J. GALLEWER, No. 24 Wall-st., (Bible House,) or No. 68 Wall-st., from 12 to 4.

TO LET—COMPLETELY FURNISHED, AT Northampton, Mass., one of the most desirable residences in the town; large house, containing 12 rooms, stable, carriage-house and ice-house, and 1½ acres of ground; well laid out; fruit, shade and lawn; to a good tenant will be rented for a term of years. Apply to HOMER MORGAN, No. 2 Pine-st.

TO RENT—IN THE VILLAGE OF JAMAICA, a desirable residence on Fulton-av.; gas throughout; grounds extensive; well stocked; 1 mile from the depot; 1 mile from L. I. R. R.; trains every 30 minutes; regular horse cars to Brooklyn ferries every 20 minutes; rent, $600. Apply to E. A. BRINCKERHOFF, No. 78 Broad-st.

TO LET—TO A SMALL RESPECTABLE family, part of a house, No. 1 Bedford-st., Fort Hamilton, near Brooklyn, and within ten or fifteen minutes' walk of the principal ferries; gas, hot and cold water and bath in house; Greenwood and Cypress Hills near; rent of one-third and of block; rent moderate. Apply on the premises.

TO LET—FURNISHED, ON BROOKLYN Heights, a first-class three-story stone, basement and sub-cellar; twenty-one rooms; gas throughout; five minutes' walk from Fulton or Wallace Ferries; May 1; to suit a family; rent, $1,500. Apply to DAVENPORT & FANNING, No. 157 Montague-st.

TO RENT—ON CASTLETON HILL, STATEN Island, a new and beautiful residence, with all the modern improvements, a short distance from the North Shore; rent, $1,200; also, entire upper part of house No. 147 Waverley-place, in good order; rent, $600; both of the above premises will be put in good order; also, stores and rear rooms, and other rooms in house No. 49 Hudson-st. Also, four-story brown-stone front, No. 62 West 14th-st., will be put in good order. Rent $1,800.

TO LET—FOR A TERM OF YEARS, A corner of Perry and Bedford sts., first floor and cellar, (concreted,) in perfect order; gas and water-closets and separate entrance to each; first floor suitable for a first-class office or store. Apply to HOMER MORGAN, No. 2 Pine-st.

OFFICES TO LET.—A SUITE OF THREE rooms, 24 feet x 40, and more if desired, No. 254 Broadway, opposite the City Hall, to let at $1,000 per annum for the three; also, two offices on the third floor and one on fourth floor. Apply to Home Life Insurance Company, No. 256 Broadway.

SALOONS AT JEROME PARK.—THE Saloons under the Grand Stand, at Jerome Park, for the sale of refreshments, will be let to a suitable party for the approaching race meeting. Propositions will be received until 1st May, at No. 620 Broadway, or at Fordham, by C. WHEATLEY, Secretary.

A FACTORY TO LET—BUILDINGS NOS. 60, 62, 64 and 66 Cannon-st., with shafting and 25-horse power engine; will let buildings together or separately, or rooms with steam power. Apply in office on the premises.

TO LET—THE THREE LOFTS AND TWO cellars, together or separate, in building No. 46 Broadway. Apply at No. 195 Broadway,

## RELIGIOUS NOTICES.

GRACE CHAPEL.—FREE CHURCH—14TH st., opposite Academy of Music.—Rev. WALTER BURLINGE, Minister in charge.—Services 10½ A. M., 3 and 7½ P. M. Sunday School 9 A. M. and 2½ P. M. Rev. SAMUEL UPJOHN, of Anglican, Mo., will preach at 10½ A. M. and Rev. E. G. PETERS, D.D., at 7½ P. M.

TEMPORARY CHAPEL OF ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH.—The Sunday service in this chapel will be held on SUNDAY EVENING, April 25, at 7½ o'clock. A sermon will be preached by the Rector, Rev. WM. R. MORGAN, D.D., before the St. Thomas Association for Parish Work. ON SUNDAY, May 2, the Rector of the Church Parish will meet the Bible classes of the Church in the chapel at the 10½ st. and Madison-av.

NEW-YORK ASSOCIATION OF SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS.—Regular Meeting next MONDAY, 26th inst., at Trinity Church (Rev. Dr. Crosby's), 4th-av. and 22d-st., at 7½ o'clock. Addresses by R. T. JACOBS, Esq., Chicago; class exercise by Mrs. SMITH, Oswego; full exercise by Rev. MR. WARD ROGERSON, Chicago.

GREENE-ST. M. E. CHURCH, BETWEEN Houston Bowery and Spring sts.—Rev. A. S. SAUNDERS, Pastor, will preach on SUNDAY at 10½ o'clock A. M. and at 7½ o'clock P. M. Prayer-meeting on WEDNESDAY EVENING, at 7½ o'clock. Sunday-School at 2 P. M. Seats free. Strangers cordially invited to attend.

SEVENTH-ST. M. E. CHURCH, (TOMPKINS-sq., near 3d-av.).—The Pastor, Rev. HORACE COOKE, will preach on SUNDAY at 10½ A. M. Subject—Learning by Suffering. And at the evening at 7½ o'clock. Subject—The Young Hope of the Dredaites. Sabbath School at 9 A. M. and 2 P. M. A cordial welcome to all.

THE FIVE POINTS MISSION, SITE of the Old Brewery, No. 4 Cow-lane.—Sunday Mission at the Point, by Rev. J. N. SHAFFER, from Missionary at Pressing at 10½ A. M. and at 7½ P. M. Sunday School at 2½ A. M. and 3 P. M. Singing by the children. Short addresses by visitors. The poor are invited.

A STUDENT OF THEOLOGY, HAVING a portion of time to spare, is desirous to engage a certain district for scholarship, etc., for a Sunday School of the Sunday School Union; he will be entirely compensated for his services; this is a good opportunity for gaining experience and introduction to pastors. Theology, Adams, Box 1,000 Post-Office.

NEW-YORK PORT SOCIETY.—Preaching at the Mariners' Church, corner of Rutgers and Cherry-sts., on SUNDAY, at 10½ A. M., by Professor MARTIN, of the New-York University; and at 7½ P. M., by Rev. DOV. H. MEISEL, of Brooklyn. Also preaching at the corner of Water and Dover-sts., and No. 22 Greenwich-st., at 3 P. M.

FIVE POINTS HOUSE OF INDUSTRY, No. 155 Worth-st.—Sabbath Services are held at this Institution at 3 P. M. and 7½ P. M. (7 o'clock) short addresses and singing by the children, more than 200 children. Strangers are invited to attend. R. R. HALLIDAY, Superintendent.

FRENCH EVANGELICAL CHURCH, No. 9 University-place, between Waverley-place and Washington-sq. Divine service every SUNDAY at 10½ A. M. precisely, and at 7½ P. M. Prayer-meeting THURSDAY at 7½ P. M. Rev. A. GONI, from France, Pastor.

"CLOSE COMMUNION."—PASTOR JOHN O. ADAMS will preach a sermon SUNDAY at 3½ P. M. in the Hall, corner of Madison and Gouverneur-sts., on *Close Communion*. Seats free. He will also preach morning and evening. Baptism in the evening.

SECOND ADVENT CHURCH, COOPER INSTITUTE, Room No. 13.—Preaching TO-MORROW (SUNDAY) at 3 P. M. by Rev. Dr. ROBERT, of Philadelphia. Subject, at 7½ P. M.—*What think ye of Christ?* All are cordially invited to hear. Seats free.

BACKSLIDERS OF ALL DENOMINATIONS Counseled and Encouraged, will be the subject of the FAMILY EVENING Lecture at the Antioch Baptist Church, No. 234 Bleecker-st., by the Pastor, Rev. WILLIAM I. LOGAN. All are invited. Seats always free. Morning service at the usual hour.

ST. PAUL'S REFORMED DUTCH CHURCH, Abingdon-sq., Greenwich-st.—Divine worship will meet for worship, please God, in Lyric Hall, 237 Bleecker-st., between 4th and 5th sts., on SUNDAY, 25th inst., at 10½ A. M. and 4 P. M. Sunday School and Bible-class service at 3 P. M.

ST. STEPHEN'S REPISCOPAL CHURCH, 142 West 15th-st., between 6th and 7th-avs.—Rev. GEO. H. TAYLOR (the Pastor) as 10½ A. M. and 7½ P. M. Prayer meeting at 7½ P. M. Seats free. Strangers and others cordially invited.

REV. SIDNEY A. COREY, D.D., WILL Preach in the Murray Hill Baptist Church, Lexington-av., near 37th-st., SUNDAY, at 10½ A. M. and 7½ P. M. In the evening, Jewish Jewish in young men. Subject—*The Young Druses*, by request.

AT COOPER INSTITUTE, IN THE large hall, free preaching on SUNDAY, April 25, at 10½ A. M. and 7½ P. M., by Rev. C. W. BENNETT, of Boston. All persons are cordially invited to attend. Seats free.

CHURCH OF THE RESURRECTION, Madison-av., corner 35th-st.—Rev. E. A. DALY, D.D., Rector, will preach on SUNDAY, at 10½ A. M. and 7½ P. M. Sunday School at 3 o'clock. The Rector, Rev. J. H. HOWARD, will preach.

BEHOLD THE SIGN!—BISHOP SNOW, of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints, will preach in the University Week-place, on SUNDAY, at 3 P. M. *Mem. Matt. xxiv., 30.*

YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION, No. 318 8th-av., corner 23d-st. Meeting MONDAY EVENING, at 8 o'clock. Strangers and the public generally invited. L. BOLTON HANGS, Recording Secretary.

FORTIETH-STREET PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, near Lexington-av.—Rev. CHARLES CUTLER, of Boston, N. H., will preach in this church SUNDAY, April 25th, at 10½ A. M. and 7½ P. M.

AT THE CHURCH OF OUR SAVIOUR, Lexington-av., near 50th-st., SERVICES TO-MORROW, at 10½ A. M. and 7½ P. M. Sunday School, 3 P. M. Strangers invited.

FIRST CHURCH OF THE NEW-JERUSALEM, corner of Broadway and Eighteenth-st.—Divine service at 10½ A. M. and 7½ P. M. The Bishop will preach.

THE FIRST MORAVIAN PROTESTANT Episcopal Church, Rev. A. A. REIMER, Pastor, will hold Divine service in the Church, corner of Lexington-av. and 62d-st., at 10½ A. M.

RIGHT REV. BISHOP SOUTHGATE WILL PREACH in the Church of the Ascension, corner of 5th-av. and 10th-st., on SUNDAY EVENING, April 25, 1869, at 7½ o'clock.

A FREE CHURCH, AT THE CORNER OF Madison and Henry sts.—Preaching at 10½ A. M. and 7½ P. M. Seats all free.

ST. THOMAS' CHURCH, E. W. WILSON, rector, and will preach at 10½ A. M. and 7½ P. M.

## RELIGIOUS NOTICES.

FREE SERVICE.—THE CHURCH OF THE Ascension, corner 5th-av. and 10th-st., will be open on SUNDAY EVENINGS at 7½ o'clock, until further notice, for a free service. All seats free.

METROPOLITAN EPISCOPAL CHAPEL, Yorkville, corner East 79th-st. and 2d-av., will be opened on SUNDAY, April 25, for Sunday School and religious purposes. Eminent Clergymen and earnest Sunday School workers will be present at 9 A. M. and 3 P. M. Rev. E. E. PRINCE, D. D., Chaplain of the House of Refuge, will preach at 7½ P. M. GEO. HOLLIS, W. DEE, Vice-Pres.; SAMUEL LOSLEIGH, Superintendent of Sabbath School.

THE GIRL OF THE PERIOD.—NOW ready: The "Girl of the Period" and the "Fashionable Woman of the Period." Reprinted from the Saturday Review. Price 25 cents. For sale by booksellers and news agents. The trade supplied by the American News Company.

J. S. REDFIELD, No. 140 Fulton-st.

HARLEM UNIVERSALIST SEMINARY.—REV. W. S. GREEN, of Newark, N. J., will preach in Washington Hall, 86-st. between 1st and 2d-avs., on SUNDAY AFTERNOON, at 3 o'clock.

## BOARDING AND LODGING.

IN YORKVILLE.—A PRIVATE FAMILY have a large room and bedroom, furnished, or unfurnished, which would let to two or three gentlemen with board, on reasonable terms; location the pleasantest in the City; family small and quiet; references required. Number 56 East-st., south side, seventh house west of 2d-av.

A HANDSOMELY FURNISHED PARLOR, Bedroom and Alcove connected, by a member of the Union Club, to let to a gentleman, with or without breakfast. At No. 58 52-st., bet. 7th and 8th-avs., small finger room.

A PRIVATE FAMILY WILL LET, with board, a suite of rooms on second floor, either furnished or unfurnished; delightfully located; in the vicinity of Madison-av. and 45th-st.; references required. Address C. H. T., Box No. 182 Times Office.

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A PRIVATE FAMILY WILL LET, with board, a suite of rooms on second floor, either furnished or unfurnished; delightfully located; in the vicinity of Madison-av. and 45th-st.; references required. Address C. H. T., Box No. 182 Times Office.

BOARD WANTED IN BROOKLYN, by an elderly gentleman, his wife and two daughters, in respectable private family or private boarding-house; good references given and required.

No. 29 WEST 32D-ST.—HANDSOME suites of rooms to let with board; permanent arrangements at Summer terms; house first-class in every respect; references exchanged.

BOARDING.—A NICELY-FURNISHED Bedroom, with board for two young gentlemen; or a single gentleman; in a private family; in the first-class house 140 East 51st-st., between Lexington and 3d-avs.

No. 45 BOND-ST.—A HANDSOME BACK parlor and extension room furnished to let, to gentlemen only, without board, to a permanent party; to a permanent party.

No. 1 IRVING-PLACE.—VERY PLEASAnt and desirable rooms for the Summer season, with unexceptionable board, can now be secured by early application.

No. 7 WEST 25TH-ST.—A SUITE OF parlors on first floor, three rooms furnished, bath, etc., and single rooms overlooking Madison-square, without board.

TWO LARGE AND ELEGANT ROOMS, (en suite,) suitable for gentleman and wife or gentlemen. Private table if desired. Highest references required. No. 41 West 18th-st.

FURNISHED ROOMS IN SUITE or single for gentlemen, with a lady occupying her own rooms; apply at No. 161 East 26th-st., between Lexington and 3d-ave.

TO LET—WITH BOARD, IN AN ENGLISH Protestant house, a Reception-room, with closet, suitable for two persons, and a hall bedroom. Apply at the house, No. 38 West 16th-st.

WANTED—BY A GENTLEMAN AND WIFE, a furnished room, in a private family, in New-York, or its vicinity; references given and required. Address X. Y., Box No. 115 Times Office.

A PRIVATE FAMILY IN 38TH-ST., near Broadway, will let a second floor, beautifully furnished, to a single or two gentlemen, without board. Address A. B. Box 6 Times Office.

FIFTH-AV., NO. 72.—TO LET FROM 1ST of May, the entire first and second floors, with public or private table, or without board; the second floor can be divided into three suites, if desired.

No. 144 EAST 21ST-ST., GRAMERCY-park.—Two large front rooms, single rooms or suite for families, with board; also single rooms for gentlemen; location desirable; no moving in May.

HANDSOMELY FURNISHED PARLOR and bedrooms to let, in a private family. Also, an office suitable for a physician. Apply at 206 6th-av.

FIFTH-AV., NO. 207.—THE ENTIRE SECOND floor to let, with private table or without board, from May 1; references exchanged.

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BOARD WANTED.—COUNTRY AND CITY, for several families. Address BOARDERS' DIRECTORY, No. 707 Broadway.

No. 6 EAST 27TH-ST., NEAR 5TH-AV.—Second floor to let, with or without private table; references exchanged.

HOBOKEN.—SPLENDID ROOMS, WITH board, can be had in a private family, at No. 100 River Terrace; a delightful location.

No. 20 WEST 16TH-ST., NEAR 5TH-AV.—Front rooms, newly-furnished, to let, with or without board. Reference exchanged.

SEVENTEENTH-ST.—ELEGANT ROOMS, with board, to gentlemen only. No. 104 East 17th-st., near Union-square.

TO LET—WITH BOARD, AT NO. 18 WEST 31st-st., one large front room on second floor; one suite on parlor floor, with large closets.

No. 13 EAST 16TH-ST., BETWEEN 5th-av. and Union-sq.—Elegantly furnished parlor and bedrooms to rent, without board, to one gentleman.

## COUNTRY BOARD.

COUNTRY BOARD WANTED.—BETween Yonkers and Catskill, for a family of six, (four adults and two children, 11 and 6 years,) where there are but few boarders; easy of access either by boat or rail; if location and table satisfactory, a reasonable price will be paid. Address, with full particulars and references, H. R. E., Box No. 1,504 New-York Post Office.

TWO GENTLEMEN CAN FIND BOARD at the country residence of a City family, on a farm, a short distance north of Llyellyn Park, New-Jersey, under the Orange Mountain, where every comfort and luxury desired can be enjoyed; trains every hour; one hour from Barclay-st. Inquire of W. H. BALDWIN, Room No. 7, No. 108 Broadway.

BOARD IN ORANGE IN A PRIVATE family; one or two small families can be accommodated with board in a good-sized house, surrounded by extensive grounds, with plenty of shade; near depot. Address A. B., Box No. 148 Times Office.

PLEASANT ROOMS AND FIRST-CLASS board, at Orange, N. J.; one hour from foot of Barclay-st., and three minutes' walk from depot. Address Post Office Box No. 223, Orange, N. J.

RAHWAY, N. J.—THREE MINUTES from depot; choice rooms, every comfort, first-class table. Mrs. MARY WATSON, Main-st., Rahway.

BOARD IN A BEAUTIFUL LOCATION Upon the shore of Seneca Lake; a mineral spring near; price $8 per week. Address Post Office Box No. 92, Geneva, N. Y.

FOREST HOME.—AT THE BASE OF CATSKILL Mountains.—Board can now be secured for the season. City references given. Address H. C. CRAPSER, Acty., Greene County, N. Y.

BOARD AT CORNWALL.—HOUSE Open on and after April 15, 1869. JAMES G. ROE.

## SUMMER RESORTS.

COZZENS' WEST POINT HOTEL.

Terms for the month of June, $9 per day, or $21 per week.

SYLVANUS T. COZZENS.

WASHINGTON ROCK HOTEL, Highland, Orange-co., N. Y. The above favorite Hotel, so much admired on the blue range mountains, and possesses all the advantages of more fashionable places in the vicinity of Newburgh, Fishkill, Cornwall, Cold Spring, Garrison, etc.; one hour and a quarter by rail. Address JOHN WOOD, Dunderdale Station, New-Jersey.

GLENWOOD HOUSE, DELAWARE Water Gap, is now open for the reception of visitors. Only 3 hours from New-York. Apply to SAMUEL ALSOP, Proprietor.

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TO AMERICAN TRAVELERS

IN SWITZERLAND.

GRAND HOTEL BEAURIVAGE, GENEVA.

This splendid new first-class establishment, facing the beautiful Lake and MONT BLANC, is the only hotel in Geneva with TERRACE, GARDEN AND VERY HANDSOME SITTING-ROOMS.

Rendezvous of the American families.

## MILLINERY.

LACE.—HALF PRICE REAL LACE BONnets, also straw bonnets, hats, all kinds French flowers, ribbons, etc.; cheapest place in the City. MILLINERY No. 775 Broadway, above 9th-st. Out this out. Cell. Miss. A. BINNS.

CHILDREN'S HATS AND LADIES' Spring bonnets; elegant assortments THIS DAY, at bargains; also best lace bonnets, guipure bonnets, birds and flowers. L. BINNS' millinery, largest in the City, No. 707 Broadway.

## SHIPPING.

STEAM TO GLASGOW AND LONDON.

DERRY.

THE ANCHOR LINE.

Favorite Clyde-built passenger Steamers are intended to sail as follows:

DACIAN.....April 24 | CALEDONIA.....May 1
BRITANNIA.....April 30 | EUROPA.....May 15
IOWA.....May 8 | INDIA.....May 22
COLUMBIA.....May 15 | DORIAN.....June 5

and each succeeding SATURDAY and alternate WEDNESDAY hereafter, from Pier No. 20 North River, foot of Warren-st.

RATES OF PASSAGE PAYABLE IN CURRENCY.

Cabins, to Liverpool, Glasgow or Derry, $80 and $90. Excursion tickets, good for 12 months, $160.

Intermediate, to Glasgow or Derry, $35; intermediate, $35. Prepaid Certificates from Liverpool, $35.

Passengers booked to and from Hamburg, Havre, Bremen, Antwerp, etc., at very low rates.

Drafts issued payable at any bank in Great Britain and Ireland.

For further information apply on the steamer, foot of Warren-st., or at the Company's office, No. 4 Bowling-green, New-York. HENDERSON BROTHERS.

ONLY DIRECT LINE TO FRANCE.

THE GENERAL TRANSATLANTIC COMPANY'S MAIL STEAMSHIPS BETWEEN NEW-YORK AND HAVRE, CALLING AT BREST.

The splendid vessels on this favorite route to the Continent will sail from Pier No. 50 North River as follows:

PEREIRE.....DUCHESNE.....SATURDAY, May 1
LAFAYETTE.....BOURBAK.....SATURDAY, May 15
ST. LAURENT.....LEBANON.....SATURDAY, May 29
VILLE DE PARIS.....SURMONT.....SATURDAY, June 12

Rates of passage payable in gold, (wine included):

TO BREST OR HAVRE, first cabin, $100; second cabin, $60.

TO PARIS, including railway ticket, $145 and $95.

These steamers do not carry steerage passengers.

American travelers going to or returning from the Continent of Europe by taking the steamers of this line, avoid both transit by English railways and the disagreeable detention at the Custom-house, besides saving time, trouble and expense.

GEO. MACKENZIE, Agent, No. 58 Broadway.

THE BRITISH AND NORTH AMERICAN ROYAL MAIL STEAMSHIPS

BETWEEN NEW-YORK AND LIVERPOOL, CALLING AT CORK HARBOR.

RUSSIA.....WEDNESDAY.....April 28
SIBERIA.....WEDNESDAY.....May 5
SCOTIA.....WEDNESDAY.....May 12
CHINA.....SATURDAY.....May 15
CUBA.....WEDNESDAY.....May 19
AURORA BOREALIS.....WEDNESDAY.....May 26

Passage money payable in gold.

Cabin.....$120 | Second Cabin.....$60
Cabin to Paris.....$145

No steerage passengers carried.

The owners of these ships will not be accountable for specie or valuables, unless bills of lading having the value expressed be signed therefor.

Through bills of lading given for Belfast, Glasgow, Havre, Antwerp and other ports on the Continent; and for Mediterranean ports.

For freight or passage apply to

E. CUNARD, No. 4 Bowling-green, New-York.

STEAM TO LIVERPOOL.

CALLING AT QUEENSTOWN.

From Pier No. 46 North River, WEDNESDAY.

MANHATTAN, 2,363 tons.....April 28, at 2 P. M.
IDAHO, 2,363 tons.....May 5, at 2 P. M.
MINNESOTA, 3,363 tons.....May 12, at 2 P. M.
NEVADA, 3,125 tons.....May 19, at 2 P. M.
COLORADO, 3,625 tons.....May 26, at 2 P. M.

GOLD PASSAGE.....(Gold).....$80.
STEERAGE.....(Currency).....$30.

Saloon and State Rooms all on Deck.

Steerage Passage Office, No. 29 Broadway.

For freight or passage apply to

WILLIAMS & GUION, No. 71 Wall-st.

CUNARD LINE OF STEAMERS.

BETWEEN NEW-YORK AND LIVERPOOL, CALLING AT QUEENSTOWN.

FROM NEW-YORK EVERY THURSDAY.

TRIPOLI.....May 6 | ABYSSINIA.....May 13
PALMYRA.....May 6 | MARATHON.....May 20

RATES OF PASSAGE FROM NEW-YORK.

Cabin.....Gold. | Steerage.....Currency.
Cabin tickets, to Liverpool or Queenstown, $80 and upwards.

Steerage tickets from Liverpool or Queenstown $30 and upwards.

For freight or passage, apply at No. 4 Bowling-green.

For steerage passage, No. 111 Broadway, Trinity Building.

E. CUNARD.

FOR LIVERPOOL DIRECT.—CUNARD steamship PALMYRA to sail SATURDAY, 24th April; cabin passage $80, in gold. Apply to

E. CUNARD, No. 4 Bowling Green.

FOR LIVERPOOL AND QUEENSTOWN.—Inman line of mail steamers are appointed to sail as follows:

CITY ANTWERP.....Saturday, April 24, 1 P. M.
CITY OF PARIS.....Saturday, May 1, 10 A. M.
CITY OF MANCHESTER.....
(via Halifax).....Saturday, May 8, 12 M.

And every succeeding SATURDAY and alternate TUESDAY, from Pier No. 46 North River.

RATES OF PASSAGE

BY THE MAIL STEAMER SAILING EVERY SATURDAY.

| PAYABLE IN GOLD. | | PAYABLE IN CURRENCY. | |
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| First Cabin | $100 | Steerage | $30 |
| To London | 105 | To London | 37 |
| To Paris | 125 | To Paris | 47 |

PASSAGE BY THE TUESDAY STEAMER VIA HALIFAX.

| FIRST CABIN. PAYABLE IN GOLD. | | STEERAGE. PAYABLE IN CURRENCY. | |
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| Liverpool | $80 | Liverpool | $30 |
| Halifax | 20 | Halifax | 15 |
| St. John's, N. F., by Branch Steamer | 40 | St. John's, N. F., by Branch Steamer | 20 |

Passengers also forwarded to Havre, Hamburg, Bremen, &c., at reduced rates.

Tickets can be obtained here at moderate rates by persons wishing to send for their friends.

For further information apply at the Company's Offices.

JOHN J. DALY, Agent,
No. 15 Broadway, New-York.

NATIONAL LINE.

From Pier No. 47 North River.

FRANCE, SATURDAY, WEDNESDAY, April 21, at 12 M.
VIRGINIA, POSEN, SATURDAY, April 24, at 12 M.

Passage to Liverpool or Queenstown: Cabin, $100 and $80; steerage, $30.

Steerage tickets from Liverpool or Queenstown, $27, currency.

Apply at the Company's office, No. 69 Broadway.

F. W. J. HURST, Manager.

STEAM TO ANTWERP—INMAN LINE.

CITY OF LIMERICK.....May 1
CITY OF DUBLIN.....May 12

And monthly thereafter during the season.

RATES OF PASSAGE:

From New-York. | From Antwerp.
Cabin.....$80, Currency | Cabin.....$80, Gold
Steerage.....35, Currency | Steerage.....35, Gold

For further information apply to

JOHN G. DALE, Agent, No. 15 Broadway, N. Y.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

THROUGH LINE TO

CALIFORNIA AND CHINA.

Through rates, New-York to San Francisco:

| First Cabin. | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Outside. | Inside. | Second Cabin. | Steerage. |
| $275 | $250 | $150 | $75. |

CHANGE OF SAILING DAYS.

Steamers of the above line leave Pier No. 42 North River, foot of Canal-st., at 12 o'clock noon.

ON 1ST, 11TH AND 21ST DAYS EACH MONTH, except when those days fall on Sunday, then the day previous.

One hundred pounds baggage free to each adult. Medicine and attendance free.

MAY 1.—ARIZONA, Capt. MAURY, connecting with GOLDEN CITY, Capt. LAPHAM.

Steamer leaving Panama on the 5th of each month, connecting closely with steamer CHINA, leaving San Francisco June 4 for China and Japan.

NOTICE TO SHIPPERS.—Freight for steamer ARIZONA received until 4 P. M. on FRIDAY, April 23. All usual facilities afforded shippers in collecting inland charges, &c.

For freight or passage tickets and all further information, apply at the Company's ticket office on the wharf, foot of Canal-st. F. R. RABY, Agent.

FOR ST. THOMAS AND BRAZIL.

UNITED STATES AND BRAZIL MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

REGULAR MAIL STEAMERS sailing on the 2d of every month:

MERRIMAC, Capt. W. WIRE, April 22.
SOUTH AMERICA, Capt. E. L. TINKELPAUGH, May 2.
MISSISSIPPI, Capt. GEO. B. SLOCUM, June 23.

These splendid steamers sail on schedule time, and call at Port Royal, Kingston, Aux Cayes, Hayti and Rio de Janeiro, going and returning. For engagements of freight or passage, apply to

H. GARRISON, Agent,
No. 5 Bowling-green, New-York.

HAVANA, SISAL AND VERA CRUZ.

New-York and Mexican Mail Steamship Line, from Pier No. 17 East River, at 12 M.

The splendid new steamers

CITY OF MERIDA.....May 1
CLEOPATRA, Capt. PHILLIPS.....May 29

For freight or passage apply to

F. ALEXANDRE & SONS, No. 44 Beaver-st.

FOR NASSAU, N. P.,

CARRYING THE ROYAL MAILS.

ATLANTIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY'S steamer MORRO CASTLE, Captain R. ADAMS, THURSDAY, May 20, at 3 P. M., from Pier No. 4 North River. For freight or passage, apply to S. G. WHEELER, Jr., President, No. 5 Bowling-green.

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FOR NEW-ORLEANS,

VIA LINE TO HAVANA.

Carrying the United States Mails.

The well-known side-wheel steamship

CHARLEVILLE,

J. B. RAYS, Commander,

is now receiving freight, and will leave Pier No. 38 North River on

SATURDAY, May 1, at 3 o'clock P. M.

Through rates and through bills of lading given to Galveston, Indianola, Lavacca and Rock Port, Texas; Mobile, Ala., and to all points on the Mississippi River.

No Bonds required and no delay on day of sailing.

For freight or passage apply to

LIVINGSTON, FOX & CO., No. 68 Liberty-st.

FOR NEW-ORLEANS DIRECT.

THE CROMWELL LINE.

Steamships of this Line will leave Pier No. 9 North River, at 10 o'clock P. M., on the following days:

CHEO, WILMINGTON.....Saturday, April 24
CORTES.....Saturday, May 1

Freight taken for St. Louis, Mobile and Galveston at through rates. For passage, first and second cabin, or freight, apply to

H. B. CROMWELL & CO., No. 86 West-st.

FOR MOBILE,

VIA FERNANDINA ROUTE.

The Florida Railroad Company will dispatch the steamer

ALABAMA, Captain LIGHTNER,

On SATURDAY, April 24, at 3 P. M., from Pier No. 3 North River, foot of Warren-st. Cargo delivered without lighterage at Mobile. In new room for freight. Insurance Tuscan Port, 7 cents; Mobile and Rio Janeiro, going and returning. For engagements of freight or passage, apply to

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Three times a week.

TUESDAYS, THURSDAYS and SATURDAYS.

The steamships

SAN SALVADOR, Capt. NICKERSON, SATURDAY, April 24, from Pier No. 8 North River, at 12 M.

WM. R. GARRISON, Agent,
No. 5 Bowling-green.

LEO, Capt. DEARBORN, SATURDAY, April 27, from Pier No. 16 East River at 12 M.

MURRAY, FERRIS & CO., Agents,
Nos. 6 and 8 South-st.

HERMAN, LIVINGSTON, Capt. CHESEBROUGH, THURSDAY, April 29, from Pier No. 8 North River, at 3 P. M.

LIVINGSTON, FOX & CO., Agents,
No. 68 Liberty-st.

HUNTSVILLE, Capt. CROWELL, SATURDAY, May 1, from Pier No. 8 North River, at 3 P. M.

R. LOWDEN, Agent, No. 86 West-st.

FOR CHARLESTON, S. C., ON THE FLORIDA PORTS, THE SOUTH AND SOUTHWEST.—REGULAR LINE.—The fast and popular side-wheel steamship MAGNOLIA, M. S. CROWELL, Commander, will sail WEDNESDAY, April 28, at 3 P. M., from Pier No. 5 North River, foot of Rector-st. Through bills of lading to all points South and Southwest. Agents in Charleston (RAVENEL & CO.) forward all goods free of commission.

ASHBEL H. SMITH, Agent, No. 72 Williams-st.

The steamship SARAGOSSA will sail May 5.

FOR SALE.—ANY PARTY WANTING AN established boat can purchase, on terms to suit, the steamer will be sold a bargain if applied for immediately. Apply to JAMES M. LIZNARD, No. 61 South-st.

UNITED STATES PASSPORT BUREAU.—Official reports of the Department of State issued by A. C. WILLAMATH, United States District Clerk's Office, No. 61 Chambers-st.

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GREAT REDUCTION IN TIME.

ONLY ONE DAY'S STAGING BETWEEN NEW-YORK AND SAN FRANCISCO.

SEVEN DAYS TRAVEL FROM THE MISSOURI RIVER TO THE PACIFIC OCEAN.

For through tickets and full particulars apply to

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No. 64 Broadway.

LONG ISLAND RAILROAD.

Leave Jamaica 8:30 A. M., Mail train for Greenport; 10 A. M., Northport, Huntington and Glen Cove; 3 P. M., Express, River Head; 4 P. M., Northport, Huntington and Glen Cove; and 6 P. M., Farmingdale and way stations. All trains connect with branch to Hempstead. Sunday train at 9 A. M. from Hunter's Point for Northport, Huntington and Glen Cove.

I. D. BARTON, Superintendent.

ERIE RAILWAY.—TRAINS LEAVE DEPOT foot of Chambers-st., Pavonia Ferry, as follows, viz:

5 A. M. Day Express for Rochester, Buffalo, Dunkirk, Cleveland, Cincinnati, and all points West and South.

5:30 A. M. Way Train, daily, for Otisville and intermediate stations.

10 A. M. Express Mail, for Buffalo, Dunkirk, Cleveland, Cincinnati and all points West and South.

2:30 P. M. Way Train, for Middletown and intermediate stations.

4:30 P. M. Way Express, stopping only at Sterling Junction, Turner's, and stations West of Turner's, (except Goshen,) to Newburg, Warwick, Montgomery, Unionville and Port Jervis.

6 P. M. Way Train for Suffern and intermediate stations.

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12 P. M. Night Express, daily, for all points West and South. By this train sleeping coaches will run through to Buffalo, Rochester, Cleveland and Cincinnati without change.

2 P. M. Emigrant Train, daily, for the West.

Also Way Trains for Rutherford Park, Passaic and Paterson at 6:45 and 9:15 A. M., 12 M., and 1:45, 4, 6 and 11 P. M. On Sunday nights a Theater Train at 12 P. M. for Suffern and intermediate stations.

SUNDAY TRAINS.—8:30 A. M. Way Train for Otisville; 1:45 P. M., for Paterson; 8:30 P. M. Night Express, for Rochester, Buffalo, Dunkirk, Cleveland, Cincinnati and all points West; 11 P. M. for Paterson and Port Jervis.

Express Trains, accompanied by new and improved Day and Night Coaches, run through to Buffalo, Rochester, Dunkirk, Cleveland and Cincinnati without change, and in direct connection with all Southern and Western lines.

Tickets can be obtained, and orders for the checking and transfer of baggage may be left at the Company's office, No. 241 Broadway (corner 22d-st.) and 298 Broadway, Depot foot of Chambers-st., New-York; also at Long Dock Depot, Jersey City.

WM. R. BABB, Gen'l Pass. Agent. H. RIDDLE, Gen'l Sup't.

HUDSON RIVER AND HARLEM RAILROADS.—On and after MONDAY, Nov. 23, 1868, trains will leave New-York as follows:

6 A. M. Express Train via Hudson River Railroad, with sleeping coaches through to Buffalo and Suspension Bridge without change of cars, and connecting at Troy with trains for Rutland and North. Drawing-room cars from New-York to Rochester, connecting at Albany with trains for the West, via either North or South Shore Line.

10 A. M. Express Train via Harlem Railroad, with sleeping cars attached, through to Buffalo and Suspension Bridge without change of cars, and connecting at Albany with Western trains, and at Troy with trains for Saratoga, Rutland, Burlington and the North.

11:30 A. M. Express Train via Hudson River Railroad, connecting at Albany with trains for the West. Drawing-room car attached to this train through to Troy.

3:30 P. M. Express Train via Hudson River Railroad, with drawing-room car attached, connecting at Albany with Western trains, and at Troy with trains for Saratoga, Rutland, Burlington and the North.

6:30 P. M. Express Train via Harlem Railroad, for Albany and Troy, connecting at Albany with Western trains. Sleeping car attached to Albany.

6 & 7 P. M. Express Train via Hudson River Railroad, with sleeping cars attached, and through to Buffalo and Suspension Bridge without change of cars. Also sleeping cars every day, except Saturdays, without change, via Harlem R. R. Albany and Schenectady Railroad, for Troy will be made at East Albany. This train will run on Sundays.

11 P. M. Night Express Train via Hudson River Railroad, with sleeping cars attached, connecting at Albany with early trains for Buffalo and Suspension Bridge, and at Troy with trains for Saratoga and points North.

Parlor Cars on all Day Trains on Hudson River Railroad from New-York to Poughkeepsie and intermediate stations, leaving New-York at 9 A. M. Returning, leaves Poughkeepsie at 3 P. M., arriving in New-York at 6 P. M.

Also, a Sunday train via Harlem Railroad, leaving 4th-st. at 9 A. M., and arriving at Millerton

# MORE BARBARITIES AT SEA.

## Outrages upon an American Crew by Drunken Officers.

**The Men Beaten and Maimed with Brass Knuckles and Axes—Two of them Jump Overboard to Escape—Flights of the Captain and Mate.**

Yesterday afternoon another ocean horror was brought to light in this City, which, if it does not equal that connected with the ship *James Foster, Jr.*, for actual manslaughter, surpasses it for the long-continued, unrelenting brutality exercised over the victims. As the sufferers have not yet had an opportunity of instituting legal proceedings against the perpetrators of the outrage, we will give the unmistakable evidences which they carry with them on their persons, and which they allege were placed there by Captain WILLIAM H. ROBINSON and Chief Mate RICHARD HOFFMAN, of the American ship *Richard Robinson*, now lying at Pier No. 44 East River.

ROBERT MCDONALD, aged 23 years, born in Scotland, has two front teeth knocked out by brass knuckles, holes in his head from being kicked, and various cuts and bruises on his body, inflicted with brass knuckles, kicks, &c.

JAMES BROWN, aged 32, born in Maryland, has a hole in the head made with an ax-handle, and his hands paralyzed from being hung up to the "gallows" by his wrists for three-quarters of an hour at a time. He also has bruises on his body, and a portion of his hair torn out.

CHAS. H. TUTTLE, aged 22, born in Boston, has three gashes on the head, made by the brass knuckles, and a hole through the under lip, inflicted with a pointed instrument.

DONALD MCKEE, aged 26, born in New-York, has his nose broken and three cuts on the head, inflicted with a piece of grating while standing at the wheel.

EDWARD WILLIAMS, aged 24, born in Norway, has a wound on the right eye, inflicted with a piece of iron grating, hair pulled out, bruises in the face from being kicked, and other injuries made with clubs, belaying pins, &c.

RICHARD KOHRIE, aged 22, born in Denswick, Prussia, has bruises on his face from being kicked, and others on his back, made with an ax-handle; also portions of his hair pulled out.

JAMES BLUNDELL, aged 30, born in Manchester, England, has his body horribly bruised, and was laid up, unable to move, for fourteen days. His hair has also been pulled out.

FREDERICK JENSEN, aged 28, born in Hamburg, has wounds inflicted with the brass knuckles, and bruises on nearly every part of the body, and was prostrated for several days, unable to move. He was beaten so many times that he cannot tell the number.

THE SHIP AND ITS OFFICERS.

The *Richard Robinson* is an American vessel built like a packet, and is owned by her Captain's father, now living in this city. She does a general business in the transportation of freight, and on Saturday last she arrived at this port with a cargo of crockery, having sailed from Queenstown, England, on the 20th or 22d of March. Captain ROBINSON, who is from Boston, is a man of medium height, aged about 30 years. The chief mate, HOFFMAN, who hails from Williamsburg, L. I., is a beardless young man, aged about 23. The Captain and chief mate abandoned the ship the moment that she reached this port and escaped, leaving the vessel in possession of the fourth officer and a few hands, mostly apprentices. The victims whose names have been given were a part of the crew of twenty-one, and were taken on fresh in Liverpool in January last. They are unusually young and intelligent seamen, and, but for their bruises and mutilations would be a fine lot of able-bodied men. They have all received some education, and McKEE was in the late Union Army, where he had a finger shot off in battle.

HOW THE OUTRAGES WERE COMMITTED.

The ship having taken in her cargo at Liverpool, was hauled off into the river on the 29th, and on the 2d day of February she started on her voyage to New-York. The Captain having laid in several cases of liquor before leaving port, he and the chief mate had imbibed so much that they had been in a state of beastly intoxication for several days, but remained comparatively quiet up to the time of putting to sea. They then came on deck and interfered with the men's work so that the crew were compelled to resist them. The two chief officers then became worse, and continued to drink so much that they apparently became maddened. They were both armed with revolvers and knives, and the sailors having nothing but their sheath-knives were compelled to submit to the outrages which now began to be inflicted upon them. The ship went on to Cuxco, and then, owing to the bad management, became "land-locked." Extricating herself after twenty-four hours delay, she put off again, but in compliance with an order of the inebriated Captain, the engineer and carpenter cut away the "bobstay" with their axes to make an excuse for going back to Hollyhead for repairs. In passing the breakwater near Hollyhead two of the crew, named respectively ANDERSON and SULLIVAN, having been beaten so terribly by the Captain and mate, and mate, jumped overboard to escape being killed. It is known that one of them reached the land, but the other is supposed to have been lost. The one who reached the shore reported at the Police Station, and the Captain hearing that he was to be arrested, immediately ordered the ship to sea again.

THE CAPTAIN'S WIFE.

The only female aboard was the Captain's wife, a young woman, who had great influence over her husband when sober, and owing to whose exertions and importunities the bodies of the crew were, as they allege, saved from destruction by the captain and mate. She kept a constant watch over the two drunken officers following them about during their beastly carousals, day and night, until she became afraid that her own life would be endangered, and left the ship while in the channel, taking a steamer and reaching the land. The Captain, determined not to proceed without his wife, stopped at Queenstown, and remained there for two weeks until his wife joined him again, and the ship resumed her voyage. The Captain still remained night and day in the same state of mad intoxication, and his conduct toward the crew increased in brutality, except as to the apprentice hands, who seemed to be favored for the purpose of keeping them on the side of the officers.

PRIZE-FIGHT AMUSEMENTS.

EDWARD WILLIAMS, one of the victims, says "they frequently made us fight between ourselves. If we refused they would beat us with clubs. When we fought the Captain and mate would 'second us' with sponges and whisky in their hands. They would make us strike each other in the face and make each other bleed. If we refused they would prick us and beat us. They usually made us fight ten or fifteen minutes, and when one gave up the Captain and mate would pitch in and fight both." Nearly every one of the men were compelled to fight at different times for the amusement of the two officers.

FREDERICK JENSEN says: The Captain used to call us aft and cut off one side of our hair, razor face and hair, and then make us sing songs which they dictated to us. They stood behind us with a needle stuck in the end of a stick, and when we would not sing they pricked us; this was done quite often.

THE BRASS KNUCKLES.

The same victim says: The Captain struck me on the head with his fists, on which were brass knuckles, a great many times. He beat me several times a day, almost every day during the voyage from Liverpool to Queenstown. My head was cut in several places, my eyes blackened, my face cutand my body bruised all over so much so that I was unable to raise myself in my berth without assistance from the other seamen. The Captain used to take hold of my hair and force my head down almost level with his feet, then kick me in the face and body; he kicked me a great many times. I was dreadfully sore and sick from his ill-treatment, and I spat blood for some time. The brass knuckles went on all the fingers of one hand. Each ring had a sharp point about one-fourth of an inch long. They only had one pair, and sometimes the Captain wore them, and sometimes the mate wore them. McKEE's nose was broken with the brass knuckles.

OTHER KNOCKS AND BRUISES.

ROBERT MCDONALD says: The Captain struck me in the head and in the face with his fists, on which were brass knuckles, cutting my head and face very much; he hit me several times, knocking me down, and then kicked me in the face several times; he held my head down by my hair, and kicked me in the face, knocking my teeth out and cutting my face. The chief mate struck me on the back with an iron-bound block, weighing about thirty pounds, and beat me one night with his fists in the face.

BROWN says: The chief mate struck me in the side with an ax-handle, and then on the head with it, stunning me and cutting my head very badly, at the time threatening to knock my brains out.

BLUNDELL says: The Captain took me by the belt of my head and pulling my head down he then kicked me in the face; he kicked and beat me so much that that I could not help myself in any way. I was laid up at Queenstown for two weeks on account of my injuries.

MCKEE relates his experiences in the following strain: The Captain kicked me in the face and on the head several times; beat me in the face with his fists, with brass knuckles on, breaking my nose, cutting my face and head in several places; he has beaten me several times with belaying-pins; the chief mate struck me with an ax-handle on the head several blows, and threw a block at me which struck me on the shoulder; has knocked me down, and stuck a pen-knife into my legs several times.

TUTTLE exaggerated about the same whenever he says: The Captain kicked me in the face, he also kicked me severely in the stomach and beat me on the head with the ship's compass while I was at the wheel, cutting my head in several places.

MORE ABOMINABLE.

Another way adopted by the Captain and mate for pleasantly whiling away the time during the long day of detention was to calm the men and "hang" them. BROWN states that he bid himself in the hold for days because he was afraid they would kill him; and when he was found, they tied him up to the gallows for forty-five minutes, with his hands in irons, the irons cutting into his hands and causing dreadful pain while hanging up. His feet were about one and a half feet from the floor. His hands are still paralyzed from the effects of the punishment.

THE CAPTAIN'S WIFE SAVES THE LIVES OF THE CREW.

A few days after leaving Queenstown the last time, the Captain's wife gained access to the stock of liquors, and, dragging out two cases of whisky and one of rum, threw them overboard. She had constantly kept her eyes on the Captain, and many times when he was committing the outrages and threatening to take the lives of the men she interfered and checked him. The men state that up to the time that the woman discovered the spirits and threw them overboard, the Captain and mate were daily getting worse, and that some of them would surely have been shot or beaten to death before the end of the voyage had she not saved them in this way.

FOOD, DRINK AND WAGES.

While the ship was stopping at Queenstown, the men allege that the steward sold all the pork from off the vessel, and that their only food during the passage was "rotten" beef. Instead of coffee, they were given a fluid which none of them could name, as it was made of burnt biscuit and a mixture of other substances, but they were glad to get even that, if they could drink it without being persecuted by the Captain and mate. They allege further that they were not paid a cent of wages during the passage.

ESCAPE OF THE CAPTAIN AND MATE.

The men having threatened to have the two officers arrested as soon as the ship reached port, both the Captain and mate made good their escape before the vessel reached the dock. The mate jumped off into the steam tug soon after passing Quarantine, and the Captain escaped immediately as the ship reached the dock, and has not been heard from since.

THE CASE TO COME BEFORE THE COURTS.

The men being finally landed in New-York, and found accommodations for living at the Seamen's Home, then proceeded to put their case into the hands of the firm of SMITH & ROWNAN, proctors and advocates in Admiralty, at No. 4 Chambers-street, who have since been engaged in taking the affidavits of the complainants, preparatory to bringing the case before the Courts in its proper shape. A civil case will first be instituted in the Marine Court to compel the Captain or owner of the ship to pay damages which are laid at a large amount. Mr. GEORGE H. BURR, who has immediate charge of the case as counsel, will probably secure the arrest of both the Captain and mate to-day on warrants from either the State or United States Court.

# THE STATE LEGISLATURE.

SENATE.... ALBANY, Friday, April 23.

BILLS PASSED.

To amend the charter of the Great Western Insurance Company. Also, the charter of Firemen's Trust Insurance Company. Relative to the Brooklyn Club. To define and amend the law relative to abandoned canals.

Mr. O'DONNELL moved to take from the table the Broadway Surface Railroad bill, which was carried as follows;

YEAS—Messrs. Bradley, Campbell, Chapman, Crowley, Folger, Hall, Hubbard, Humphrey, Kennedy, Morgan, Morris, Murphy, Nichols, Nicks, O'Donnell, Parker, Stanford, Thayer, Van Patten, Williams—21.

NAYS—Messrs. Banks, Cardwell, Creamer, Edwards, Graham, Hale, Hunt, Matteson, Pierce, Tweed—10.

Mr. HUMPHREY moved to recommit, with instructions to amend the bill so that the Company shall pay $2,500,000 into the City Treasury in five annual payments.

Mr. CREAMER moved to lay the bill on the table until the 4th day of July next. Carried by a vote of 22 to 7, as follows:

YEAS—Messrs. Banks, Bradley, Cardwell, Chapman, Creamer, Crowley, Edwards, Graham, Hale, Hubbard, Kennedy, Matteson, Morgan, Murphy, Nichols, O'Donnell, Palmer, Parker, Pierce, Stanford, Thayer, Williams.

NAYS—Messrs. Campbell, Folger, Genet, Humphrey, Nicks, Tweed, Van Patten—7.

On motion of Mr. HALE, the Governor's veto of the Plattsburg and Whitehall Railroad bill was called from the table.

The question "shall the bill pass notwithstanding the Governor's objections?" was discussed at length.

Messrs. HALE, MURPHY and BEACH favored overriding the veto, and Messrs. NICHOLS, CREAMER, MORRIS and HUMPHREY opposed it.

The question on passing the bill over the Governor's veto was lost. The vote is as follows:

YEAS—Messrs. Beach, Cardwell, Genet, Hale, Morgan, Murphy, Nicks, Stanford, Thayer, Van Patten—10.

NAYS—Messrs. Bradley, Campbell, Chapman, Creamer, Crowley, Edwards, Folger, Graham, Hubbard, Humphreys, Kennedy, Matteson, Morris, Nichols, Nesten, O'Donnell, Palmer, Parker, Pierce, Tweed, Williams—21.

BILLS PASSED.

Enabling the International Bridge Company to consolidate with any Canadian Company. Relating to the Jordon Academy. The New-York County TAX LEVY.

REPORTS.

Incorporating the Williamsburg Safe Deposit Company. To amend the charter of the Commercial Warehouse Company of New-York. Relative to Bushwick-avenue, Brooklyn. To amend the charter of Poughkeepsie. Relative to the Wallabout Improvements. Incorporating the Sixth-avenue Savings Bank of New-York. Relative to the fire limits in Brooklyn.

BILLS PASSED.

Continuing Fifth-avenue, Brooklyn, to Atlantic-avenue. To amend the charter of Brooklyn.

BILLS ORDERED TO THIRD READING.

Incorporating the Stuyvesant Savings Bank of New-York. Incorporating the Franklin Library Society of Brooklyn. To amend the charter of of Elmira. Incorporating the Village of Mount Greyville. Establishing an asylum for orphans and illegitimate children of the German origin. Incorporating the Oneida County Savings Bank of Rome. Incorporating the American Trust Company of New-York. Incorporating the Oriental Savings Bank of New-York. Adjourned.

ASSEMBLY.

Mr. MOSELY presented a minority report in the case of MCLEOD vs. HALPIN, favoring the incumbent (HALPIN.)

BILLS PASSED.

To facilitate the construction of railroads in the Counties of Allegany, Cattaraugus and Wyoming. To incorporate the Brooklyn Baptist Union. To incorporate the Dime Savings Bank of Suffern. Relative to the Equinunk Bridge Company. To incorporate the New-York and Williamsburg Bridge Company—14 to 31.

The bill regulating brokers' business was killed.

On motion of Mr. HITCHMAN, the bill to widen Broadway between Thirty-fourth and Fifty-ninth streets was reconsidered. On motion of Mr. KIERNAN, the bill was amended so that no property east of Fourth-avenue, and, on motion of Mr. BURNS, none south of Fourteenth-street, shall be assessed for the same, the bill was then passed.

Incorporating the Excelsior Savings Bank of New-York. For the appointment of Commissioners to lay out roads in Kings County. To close that portion of the Jamaica Plank-road lying in the City of Brooklyn. Incorporating the Great Neck Dock Company.

REPORTS.

Incorporating the Veterans' Ninth Regiment. Adversely to appropriating Reservoir-square for armories for the Seventh and Seventy-first Regiments. Mr. MURPHY dissented, and presented a favorable report thereon, which was ordered to be printed.

Mr. HIGGINS called up the report in the HALPIN and MCLEOD contested-seat case.

Mr. KIERNAN moved to lay it on the table, which was lost, 32 to 61.

N. S. SMITH moved the adoption of the majority report.

Mr. HUSTED moved the previous question.

Mr. HITCHMAN appealed from the decision of the Chair recognizing Mr. HUSTED.

The Chair was sustained, 56 to 5. The question was then on the adoption of the majority report. The majority report, giving the seat to MCLEOD, was adopted. Recess.

EVENING SESSION.

Mr. ALEXANDER MCLEOD took the constitutional oath of office.

The bill regulating judicial sales of real estate in Brooklyn was lost.

BILLS PASSED.

Relative to ferries—compelling boats to run every hour after midnight. Regulating the election of Coroners in Erie County. Incorporating the Veteran Corps of the Washington Greys Cavalry. To discontinue part of McDougall-street, Brooklyn. To authorize the Comptroller of Brooklyn to issue registered bonds. To amend the Metropolitan Police law. Relative to the inspection of steam boilers. To incorporate the White Plains Savings Bank. To amend the charter of the Insurers' Indemnity Company of New-York. To authorize the removal of the Mutual Savings Bank of Brooklyn. To incorporate the Clyde Water Works. For laying out the Eastern Boulevard at Westchester. For an additional almshouse at Brooklyn. For the Schenectady fair and parade grounds. Relative to the Court of Oyer and Terminer of New-York. Relative to the publication of legal notices, by a vote of 80 to 15.

RESOLUTIONS.

By Mr. FLAGG, (concurrent)—That the Army of the Potomac flags, now in the Bureau of Military Statistics, be loaned for use on the 4th and 6th of July next, at the celebration in New-York. Adopted.

By Mr. CRAIG, (concurrent)—That the State Constitution be amended. That the Commissioners of the Canal Fund borrow, not exceeding ten millions dollars for the improvement of the canals, under the direction of the Legislature. Also that such amendment be referred to the Legislature chosen at the next general election.

Mr. CRAIG also presented a unanimous report of the Canal Committee on the resolution of the New-York Produce Exchange heretofore published, and numerous petitions from all portions of the State indorsing the same. The committee recommend an enlargement of all the canals of the State, to meet the existing demands of commerce, and the adoption of the above constitutional amendment to carry out such object. The Committee also recommend the appointment of a commission of three civil engineers and two civilians, to examine the capacity of the canals and report at the next Legislature what is necessary to be done regarding them. Ordered to be printed.

Adjourned.

## The Great Velocipede Feat—Fifty Miles on a Velocipede in Four Hours.

The feat of riding fifty miles on a velocipede within six hours, which was accomplished in Boston a couple of weeks ago, by WALTER BROWN, the noted caracman, was again performed by him yesterday at the Jersey City Velocipedrome, in the presence of a large assemblage of interested spectators. The judges appointed on the occasion were Dr. GREGORY and Judge MARTINDALE, of Jersey City. The distance to be ridden required no less than 129 circuits of the track, each being thirteen circuits and a fraction over to a mile. Some idea of the fatigue involved in the accomplishment of the task may be formed from the fact that the rider had to make twenty-five thousand six hundred and seven revolutions of the driving-wheel, and as the rider had to take two steps or movements of each foot to each revolution, the number of distinct measurements of each leg was 50,428!

WALTER BROWN is a man of fine physique and possesses an intelligent countenance, and is not only gentlemanly in deportment, but never drank a drop of liquor or used tobacco in any form in his life. The impression he made yesterday on all was extremely favorable, and when he had accomplished the task he was greeted with loud and well-merited applause.

The time occupied from the start to the close was five hours and forty-six minutes. The actual time occupied in riding, however, was but four hours and twenty minutes, within three minutes of the time occupied in riding the same distance in Boston. At the Jersey City Rink, however, he had to ride the circuit of the hall 136 more times than at the Boston Rink, so that he really did better riding here than in Boston. Moreover, owing to an error of calculation by the surveyors, he was obliged to ride the circuit of the hall an additional number of times, going in all a distance equal to 86 miles. Taking these facts into consideration, he outdid his Boston time considerably. His last mile in Boston was ridden in 4:17. His last mile yesterday was done in 3:55; and after he had accomplished his feat, he rode half a mile against time in 1:35. On to-day week he is to ride five miles on the Riverside Course against a horse, the latter to trot ten miles.

## Free Public Baths.

In pursuance of a public notice, some ladies and gentlemen interested in the establishment of public baths in this City, met last evening in Room No. 15 Cooper Institute. The number, however, of those present was by no means in proportion to the admitted importance of the subject. Colonel RAYMOND occupied the chair, and DAVID P. HOLTON, M. D., acted as Secretary. After a long address from the Secretary on the subject, others present participated in the discussion. The doctor urged the importance of an immediate petition to the Common Council to withhold the lease about to be granted by that body to ISAAC HALE for the privilege of a private bath at the Battery, and to establish there a public bath as the initiatory one of a series to be established at convenient points around the City. Colonel RAYMOND urged the establishment also of fresh-water baths at convenient points throughout the interior of the City, in which children of the public schools and others might freely and safely pass through the cleansing process.

Mr. G. NICHOLSON proposed, in addition to both the foregoing, the establishment of floating baths anchored in the centre of the North and East Rivers, with a current passing through, and at which the ferry-boats could stop to land and receive passengers.

Mr. BOGERT earnestly advocated the proposition, and, in order to contribute 100 towards carrying out the object, if the corporate authorities of the City should fail to do so.

Dr. HOLTON said he owned eighteen lots in this City, the rapidly-increasing value of which embarrassed and frightened him, and all of which he tendered to the same object. Several other of the gentlemen present were lavish in the tender of their means, if necessary, in the event of failure of the Common Council to act favorably in the matter.

The meeting concluded by the unanimous adoption of a form of petition to the Common Council, requesting them to donate a basin at the Battery to the use of a public bath to be constructed thereon, and also take measures to establish bath at such other points and in such numbers as the authorities may deem necessary to the convenience and health of the citizens.

## Dinner of the St. George's Society.

The St. George's Society held its anniversary dinner at Delmonico's last evening. The banqueting hall was appropriately decorated with the arms and colors of England, Scotland, Ireland and the United States. Behind the President's chair was placed a fine full-length portrait of Queen VICTORIA.

At 7 o'clock about 180 gentlemen sat down to dinner, of which, it is only necessary to say, that it was served in DELMONICO'S best style. Mr. ARCHIBALD, the British Consul at this Port, and the President of the St. George's Society, presided. Among the guests were the Vice-President of the St. Andrew's Society, Mr. STEWART, President of the Friendly Sons of St. Patrick Society, Mr. CROKER, President of the New-England Society; The Presidents of the St. David's and St. Nicholas Societies; General IRWIN MCDOWELL, Rev. Dr. VINTON, Captain WARD, R. N., and General LLOYD ASPINWALL.

After the cloth had been drawn the President made an eloquent address in which he referred in feeling terms to the death of Sir EDWARD CUNARD, and spoke of the objects of the Society and the good it is effecting. He then announced the following regular toasts:

"The day and all who honor it."

"The Queen, God bless her."

"The President of the United States."

None of these were responded to, but in place of speeches, a quartette club gave some appropriate vocal music from "Hatton's Part Songs," which appeared to be fully appreciated.

The other toasts were, "The Memory and Genius of Shakspeare" responded to by Mr. DE CORDOVA, in a humorous and eloquent manner; "Our Sister Charitable Societies," to which Messrs. STEWART, CROATE and others responded; "The Armies and Navies of England and the United States," responded to by General MCDOWELL and Captain WARD; "The Press," and "The Ladies."

At a late hour, after enjoying a most pleasant evening, the guests separated.

## The Mulberry-Street Affray—Death of the Victim.

Yesterday morning we published an autopsic examination, taken by Coroner SCHIRMER, which gave the details of an affray which occurred at an early hour of Thursday at No. 83 Mulberry-street, in which PATRICK MCCORMACK received a stab wound in the abdomen at the hands of WM. NICHOLSON. The wounded man, it will be remembered, was immediately conveyed to the New-York Hospital, where he died last evening at 8 o'clock. The assailant, who is a youth of 19 years, and resided at No. 40 East Broadway, was arrested at the time of the affray by Officer MCGRATH, of the Sixth Precinct, and is now in custody in the Franklin-street Station-house, to answer for the crime of murder, which, it is alleged, has resulted from his act. The details of the affray are fresh in the public mind, and it is not necessary to now recapitulate this last, and in some respects one of the most horrible, homicides in the annals of the Sixth Ward. Coroner SCHIRMER will hold an inquest this morning, and the case will be again thoroughly investigated.

## Billiards.

An audience of about 500, comprising all the prominent City players, as well as those from distant places whom the tournament has called here, assembled last night to witness the contest between MELVIN FOSTER and JOHN DERRY. The stake was $250 a side, and the game French carom, 300 points up, played with 2⅜-inch balls, on a standard American four-pocket table—the same table as will be used in the tournament, the pocket jaws being reduced one-half inch from the usual size. Foster, who was the favorite, took the lead at the start, and kept it to the end. He reached the first 50, 45 ahead; the first 100, 47 ahead; the third 50, 35 ahead; the second 100, 25 ahead, and the third and last, 117 ahead. If the result of the contest was in doubt before the first 100 points were reached, it never was afterward. At times the playing was superb, and elicited hearty applause; occasionally it was merely commonplace, and a surprise to the opponent. The chief runs were—Foster, 10, 11, 11, 12, 16, 18 and 18; Derry, 5, 9, 13 and 14. The winner's average was a fraction over 2 4-5. HENRY RIEDER, of Chicago, officiated as referee.

## The Germans and the School System.

The German Republican Central Committee held a special meeting at the Steuben House last evening. Mr. MARCUS OTTENBURG presided, and a memorial advocating a complete reform of the existing school laws was discussed at great length, and ordered to be published. The memorial is to be presented to the Legislature, and proposes a reorganization of the schools of this State on the plan of the school systems of Germany and Switzerland, with the German language as one of the study branches of education; and also proposes the establishment of a State University and the introduction of gymnastic and military exercises in the public schools, besides other numerous reforms in education. The memorial was prepared by a committee especially appointed for that purpose, and is very sweeping in its character.

# LOCAL NEWS IN BRIEF.

## New-York.

It is expected that Judge PIERREPONT will take the oath of office as United States District-Attorney on Monday. His list of appointees is not yet ready for publication.

The Young Men's Christian Association hold their stated monthly meeting on Monday evening next, at No. 161 Fifth-avenue. Admission is not confined to members.

The fourth anniversary of the National Temperance Society and Publication House will be held in the large hall of Cooper Institute, on the evening of May 12. Hon. WM. E. DODGE, President of the Society, will preside. Addresses will be delivered by Dr. P. R. LEES, of England, Rev. J. D. FULTON, of Boston, and others. There will also be singing by the TEMPLAINE Brothers and Mr. PIERSON. The annual meeting for the election of officers and for the transaction of business will be held at the rooms of the Society, No. 172 William-street, on the afternoon of the same day, at 3 o'clock.

A very large audience gathered last evening to witness the exhibition of cartoons of the Bible at Steinway Hall. It is one of the most pleasing as well as instructive exhibitions that has been placed before the public for some time. The paintings are upon touching themes of the New Testament, and are life-like as well as brilliantly illuminated. Many of the paintings are exquisitely drawn. Among the number, "David's Return from Bethlehem" deserves special mention. It will undoubtedly remain in New-York for some weeks.

Rev. W. FERRIE lectured upon "Scotland" last evening at Dodworth Hall.

Mrs. WOODWARD, of No. 14 West Thirteenth-street, was severely burned on Thursday by the explosion of a kerosene lamp.

ELIZA MORKHEAD, while intoxicated, jumped from a fourth story window of the premises No. 655 Water-street, but escaped with slight injuries.

JOHN CORKEY, of No. 6 Staple-street, fell through the hatchway of the premises No. 51 Greenwich-street, and sustained severe injuries. He was taken to Bellevue Hospital.

Coroner KEENAN was notified yesterday of the death of WM. H. WALTON, a native of England, aged 32, at St. Luke's Hospital, in consequence of a fracture of the skull. Deceased had been of intemperate habits, and was an inmate of Bellevue Hospital for treatment, and soon after his discharge he received the injuries which caused his death. An inquest will be held by Coroner FLYNN.

WM. KAHN, a German, fell from the deck of the sloop *Oneida*, at Pier No. 2 North River, yesterday morning, and was drowned. The body was not recovered.

ANTOINE MULLER fell through the hatchway of the sugar-house corner of Vestry and Washington streets on Thursday evening, and sustained such injuries that death ensued yesterday at the New-York Hospital. Coroner FLYNN held an inquest.

FREDERICK GOPPEL, a German, fell through the hatchway of the packet ship *Hedrick*, at Pier No. 5 North River, and was so severely injured that he was taken to the Staten Island Hospital.

The remains of an infant were discovered yesterday in the East River, near Grand-street, and subsequently removed to the Morgue.

JOSEPH KENNETT, a German, of No. 216 Third-avenue, fell from a scaffold on the new County Court-house yesterday, and had both legs fractured. He was removed to the New-York Hospital.

## Brooklyn.

PATRICK VAUGHAN, a United States marine, in an oyster saloon in Hudson-avenue, near York-street, the other evening, accidentally dropped a $500 five-twenty bond. On returning to the saloon and asking HUGH MCGOVERN, who had waited on him, if he had seen anything of the lost bond, the latter replied in the negative. VAUGHAN said he would pay $100 for the recovery of the bond, but MCGOVERN laughed at him and introduced some "roughs," who beat him in a fearful manner. MCGOVERN was arrested by Detective WONDERLY, of the Forty-fourth Precinct, yesterday, and held for examination.

ANDREW ARCHER, a young man until recently employed by S. & J. C. BURLING, grocers, at the corner of Sands and Gold streets, was arrested yesterday by Detective CORWIN, and taken before Justice BUCKLEY, charged with embezzling his employers' money to the amount of at least $600, at various times. The accused was sent to the Penitentiary at Flatbush for six months.

MARY FITZGERALD, four years old, fell from a third story window of the residence of her parents, at the corner of Willow and Pacific streets, yesterday afternoon, and sustained fatal injuries. She was conveyed to the Long Island College Hospital.

SAMUEL BOYD, FRANK KEARNEY and EDWARD MACKEY were arrested yesterday on a charge of burglary, and taken before Justice DILLON. They are all boys who seem to know what they are about. They were held to await the action of the Grand Jury.

The residence of Mr. E. P. GILBERT, No. 103 Carroll-street, was entered by burglars at an early hour yesterday morning, who carried off a quantity of plate of the value of $600.

CHRISTOPHER DOYLE, 34 years of age, residing at No. 406 Hicks-street, committed suicide on Thursday night by swallowing two ounces of laudanum. He had been in low spirits, superinduced by the death of a brother about a week ago.

The receipts of the Union Ferry Company for the month of March amounted to $54,395.

## New-Jersey.

SARAH WATSON, a middle-aged woman, attempted to commit suicide yesterday morning by throwing herself off a canal boat near the Pavonia Ferry, Jersey City, into the water. The woman had been prowling about the locality during the night, and had imbibed a considerable quantity of drink. About 8 A. M. she became very drunk, and while in this state attempted to drown herself. She was taken in charge by an officer, and now lies in custody.

EDWARD GRIFFIN, residing at No. 261 Garden-street, Hoboken, was fined yesterday morning by Judge POPE for having ridden a velocipede on the sidewalk.

Mr. NOAH D. TAYLOR'S beautiful yacht, christened *Adeline Taylor*, in honor of the daughter of Mr. JOHN TAYLOR, of New-York, was launched on Thursday from the Bayonne Yacht Club house.

A number of enterprising Jerseymen are taking lessons every day from a prominent Quaker of Jersey City, who instructs them in all the formula connected with the everyday life of the members of the Brotherhood of Love. They have so far progressed as to renounce swearing, and anticipating a strike among the hatters, have already purchased a few cases of broad-brims. They expect to be ready in a few weeks to present to the President their claims for a few of the vacant Indian bureaus.

# FOREIGN MARKETS.

LONDON, Friday, April 23—11 A. M.

Consols open at 93¼ for money and 93⅝ for the account. United States Five-twenty Bonds are quiet and steady at 80¾. Railway Shares steady; Erie, 22¾; Illinois Centrals, 96¾.

FRANKFORT, Friday, April 23.

United States Five-twenty Bonds, 87½@87¾ for the issue of 1862.

LIVERPOOL, Friday, April 23—11 A. M.

COTTON—The sales of the day are estimated at 8,000 bales. The sales of the week have been 60,000 bales, of which 5,500 were taken for export and 4,000 on speculation. The stock in port and on shipboard is estimated at 328,000 bales, of which 167,000 are American.

BREADSTUFFS—Wheat, 8s. 1d. ⅌ cental for California White, and 8s. 4d. @8s. 10d. for No. 2 Red Western. Flour, 31s. 6d. ⅌ bbl. for Western Canal. Corn, 27s. 3d. ⅌ quarter for New Mixed Western. Oats, 3s. 1d. ⅌ bushel. Barley, 4s. ⅌ bushel. Peas, 39s. ⅌ quarter for Canadian.

PROVISIONS—Pork, 102s. ⅌ bbl. for Eastern Prime Mess. Beef, 90s. ⅌ tierce of 304 lbs. for Extra Prime Mess. Cheese, 62s. ⅌ cwt. Bacon, 47s. 6d. ⅌ cwt. for the best grades of American fine. Bacon, 44s. ⅌ cwt. for Cumberland cut.

PRODUCE—Rosin, 5s. ⅌ cwt. for Common North Carolina, and 16s. for Fine. Petroleum, 1s. 6d. ⅌ gallon for Spirits, and 1s. 9½d. for Refined. Tallow, 42s. 6d. ⅌ cwt. Turpentine, 28s. 6d. ⅌ 100 cwt. Linseed Oil £41 ⅌ ton.

LONDON, Friday, April 23.

Linseed Cakes, £9 12s.@£10 ⅌ ton for fair shipping for feeding. Sperm Oil, £102 ⅌ ton. Whale Oil, £37 ⅌ ton. Calcutta Linseed, 58s. Clove Oil, Sugar, 18s. ⅌ cwt. for No. 12 Dutch Standard.

ANTWERP, Friday, April 23.

Petroleum, 58½f. for Standard White.

HAVRE, Friday, April 23.

COTTON—Tres Ordinaire, on the spot, 140f. ⅌ cwt.

LONDON, Friday, April 23—1:30 P. M.

The Stock market is steady; Illinois Centrals, 96¾; Atlantic and Great Western, 22¾.

LIVERPOOL, Friday, April 23—1:30 P. M.

Manchester advices are less favorable for Yarns and Fabrics, and a dullness is caused here. The stock of Cotton afloat, bound to this port, is 401,000 bales, of which 153,000 are American.

Breadstuffs are declining. Corn, 27s. 3d. ⅌ quarter for New. Flour, 32s. 6d. ⅌ barrel for Canadian.

PROVISIONS—Pork, 104s. ⅌ bbl. for Eastern Prime Mess. Beef, 91s. ⅌ bbl. for Extra Prime Mess.

HAVRE, Friday, April 23.

Low Middling Cotton, afloat, 140½f. ⅌ cwt.

LONDON, Friday, April 23—3:30 P. M.

Consols closed at 93½ for money, and 93¾ for the account. United States Five-twenty Bonds, 80¾. Stocks steady; Erie, 22¾; Illinois Centrals, 96¾.

LIVERPOOL, Friday, April 23—3:30 P. M.

COTTON—The market closed dull; Middling Uplands, 12d.; Middling Orleans, 12½d.; the sales of the day have footed up 8,000 bales.

BREADSTUFFS—California Wheat, 8s. 3d. ⅌ cental.

PRODUCE—Common Rosin, 5s. 6d. ⅌ cwt.

PETROLEUM—Close nominally.

LONDON, Friday, April 23.

Tallow, 42s. 6d. ⅌ cwt. Linseed Oil, £37 ⅌ ton. Sperm Petroleum, 58½d. ⅌ gallon. Spirits Turpentine, 28s. 6d. ⅌ cwt. Calcutta Linseed, 58s. Sugar easier, both on the spot and afloat; No. 12 Dutch Standard, on the spot, 38s. 6d. ⅌ cwt.; do., afloat, 38s. 6d.

FRANKFORT, Friday, April 23.

United States Five-twenties closed firm at 87¾ for the issue of 1862.

PARIS, Friday, April 23.

Rentes steady; Rentes, 71f. 15c.

HAVRE, Friday, April 23—Evening.

COTTON—Market closed firmer for both stock on spot and to arrive; Low Middlings, to arrive, 141½f.

HAVANA, Friday, April 23.

The SUGAR market is quiet, with a small business doing at unchanged rates; quotations made today on the basis of 6¾@8¾ reals ⅌ arroba for No. 12 Dutch Standard, but holders are firm. EXCHANGES—On London, 1 day's sight, 5 premium; on United States, 60 days' sight, in gold, ¼@1¼ ⅌ cent premium; short sight, 1½@2½ ⅌ cent premium.

# DOMESTIC MARKETS.

CHICAGO, Friday, April 23.

EXCHANGE on New-York quiet at 3-16 off buying, and par selling. FLOUR quiet; Spring Extras, $4 10@$4 25. WHEAT moderately active; No. 1 at $1 12@$1 13; No. 2 at $1 03@$1 04. CORN dull at 60@60½c. OATS firm; No. 1, 37c.; No. 2, 36c. RYE dull at 80c. BARLEY dull; No. 2 at $1 12@$1 15. PROVISIONS dull and lower. PORK, $21 50@$21 60. LARD, 15½c. BACON—Shoulders, 13½c.; Sides, 15@15¼c. WHISKY, 91c. COTTON, 27½c.@28c.

TOLEDO, Friday, April 23.

FLOUR dull and unchanged. WHEAT dull; Amber, $1 45; White Michigan, $1 46½; No. 2 Red, $1 18. CORN quiet; No. 1 at 65c. and No. 2 at 62c. OATS firm at 38@39c. Receipts—Flour, 1,000 bbls. Wheat, 4,300 bbls. Flour, 3,500 bushels Wheat, 31,000 bushels Corn, 10,000 bushels Oats. SHIPMENTS—4,000 bbls. Flour, 4,000 bushels Wheat, 25,000 bushels Corn, 9,500 bushels Oats.

MOBILE, Friday, April 23.

COTTON—Receipts of the week, 3,033 bales. Exports to Great Britain, 3,827 bales; to other foreign ports, none; coastwise, 1,000 bales. Stock on hand, 95,500 bales. Sales of the week, 1,700 bales; to-day, 400 bales. The market is firm, and demand limited; Low Middlings, 26½c.; receipts, 995 bales; exports, 609 bales.

WILMINGTON, N. C., Friday, April 23.

Spirits TURPENTINE firmer at 44½c.@45c. ROSIN steady at $1 30@$3. Crude TURPENTINE a shade better at $1 50@$4 75. Tar a shade better at $2 40. COTTON quiet at 28½c.@28¾c.; total receipts of the week, 130 bales; total exports, coastwise, 320 bales; stock on hand, in store and on shipboard, 280 bales; sales of the week, 90 bales.

MILWAUKEE, Friday, April 23.

FLOUR more active; Choice Wisconsin and Iowa at $5 20@$5 50. WHEAT quiet; No. 1 at $1 10½; No. 2, $1 06½. OATS firm at 55c. for No. 2. CORN firm; No. 2 at 69c. RYE steady at 102@103c.

## PRIMEVAL MAN.

PRIMEVAL MAN: An Examination of some Recent Speculations. By the Duke of ARGYLL. New-York: GEORGE ROUTLEDGE & SONS, 1869.

In this production, which is, too modest and unpretending to challenge the asperities of criticism, the Duke of ARGYLL touches one of those profound and difficult inquiries that so strenuously tax the thought of our modern age—a question which, from its very nature, is hard to compass, and which has been further obscured by theological prejudices and metaphysical prepossessions, now, happily, fast dying out. The Duke of ARGYLL, we say, touches this question, and this is all that can rightly be said, for he does little more than play around the superficies of the subject with the deft tact of a semi-scientific amateur, while he gives proof neither of the intellectual emancipation needed to guide the methods, nor of the thorough research requisite to supply the material, for the solution of this novel, complex and far-reaching problem. At the same time, we ought to state that the work is composed in a very readable and interesting manner, that it opens up some new lines of thought and expresses a variety of acute and suggestive truths;—and we make this acknowledgment regarding the book with sincere pleasure, because we may be obliged to dissent from some of the reasonings and conclusions of its accomplished though not always profound writer.

The theme, "Primeval Man," suggests three inquiries—the origin of man, the antiquity of man, the law of his physical and historical development.

A profound longing to read the riddle of *creation* has always been felt, and all the geneses testify to the ardor of explaining the inexplicable phenomena of the beginnings of earth and man. From this imperious craving to solve the problem of man's origin arose the antique cosmogonies. All genetic conceptions necessarily assume the historical form, and the ancient nations shaped, each for itself, a theory of creation under the guise of a narrative of actual events. It is, however, impossible to regard the cosmogonies of the Egyptians, Hindus, Hebrews, &c., otherwise than as idealisms; or, to be more precise, as attempts on the part of those peoples to reduce their dim divinations of man's origination to the conditions of history—a view in which we are confirmed by the fact that, manifestly, the special genius of each race expressed itself in the color and contour of its cosmogony: so that with the Greeks it became a poetic-mythologic, with the Hindus a philosophic-mythologic, and with the Hebrews a religious-mythologic, *genesis*.

If we find these heritages of antique intuition and lore powerless to draw aside the veil which shrouds man's beginning, we discover also that the methods of science are scarcely more potential. In regard, therefore, to the first inquiry, namely, that respecting the creation of mankind, we are met at the threshold by that limitation of the Positive Philosophy which admonishes us that all origins elude search, and that, in consequence, the genesis of man is not a scientific question. Nevertheless, in spite of this restriction, speculation upon this theme continues, and so long as the results are recognized to be in the nature of hypotheses, and therefore provisional in their character, we can imagine no ill as likely to come from the freest speculation.

The most important of these hypotheses is that which seeks to trace the origin of man, by development, from lower animal organisms; and of this hypothesis the Duke of ARGYLL treats, in his first chapter, in a discursive way, though we must state that he does not accept the doctrine, but adheres (as we gather rather through inference than from his own avowal) to what is known as the "orthodox" view of creation. The Duke's disquisition on this subject is not marked by very complete knowledge, nor, we regret to add, by that absolute candor which should characterize the searcher after truth.

The doctrine of the origination of man from lower animal forms connects itself with the general hypothesis of Development as applied to the entire series of organisms past and present. But the hypothesis of Development has assumed a new and most interesting form in that statement of the doctrine which has been given by DARWIN in his *Origin of Species*. An adequate treatment of the problem of the origin of man in the light of those secondary causes which Darwinism claims as the agencies in the production of all existing and preexisting types of life would, we believe, open a new epoch in biological science. Unfortunately, Mr. DARWIN has not carried the application of his doctrine up to the human species, and we cannot recognise in the Duke of ARGYLL'S attempt to do this for him a very powerful effort of scientific construction. It is difficult enough to bridge over the gulf which separates the highest type of quadrumana from the lowest type of man—difficult enough to conceive how "Natural Selection" could have supplied the intermediate links—without embarrassing the problem, as does the Duke, by conditions extraneous thereto.

Professor HUXLEY has proven that the anatomical differences between the human frame and the higher types of the anthropoid apes, such as the gorilla and chimpanzee, are not such either in kind or in degree as to justify the assertion that man belongs to a different "order" from those creatures. He shows on the authority of Professor SCHAAFHAUSEN that some Hindu skulls have as small a capacity as 46 cubic inches, while those of the largest gorillas contain upward of 35 cubic inches. Thus represents a difference of volume of less than 11 cubic inches. But the difference between this Hindu skull and the largest European skull (114 cubic inches) amounts to no less than 68 cubic inches! Upon this the Duke of ARGYLL observes: "Nevertheless, the significance set by the facts of nature upon that difference of 11 cubic inches between the gorilla and the man is the difference between an irrational brute confined to some one climate and to some limited area of the globe,—which no outward conditions can modify or improve,—and a Being,"—and then he follows with a highly-colored portrait of the "being," whom he endows with all the qualities of a NEWTON. But is it not manifest that the expounder of the doctrine of Development would demand that the approximation be made, as it ought in fairness to be, between the lowest form of human and the highest form of sub-human life—between the anthropoid quadrumana and, say, the savage Australian aborigines; or, better still, between the quadrumana and the prehistoric races: for instance, the makers of those rude flint implements which, in French diluvian "drift," have been found associated with fossils of the mastodon, elephant and crocodile? Again, says the Duke: "The difference between the hand of a monkey and the hand of a man may seem small when they are both placed on the dissecting table; but in that difference, whatever it may be, lies the whole difference between an organ limited to the climbing of trees or the plucking of fruit, and an organ which is so correlated with man's inventive genius that by its aid the Earth is weighed, and the distance of the Sun is measured;" but surely the hand of the creature of that human type between whom and the monkey the student of Development would wish to make his comparison, is hardly the hand which weighs the Earth and measures the distance of the Sun: it is a hand of little more cunning than is involved in "climbing trees and plucking fruit," and which is correlated with an "inventive genius" of no greater scope than is requisite to supply the rudest wants; while if we recognize between that creature and the highest type of developed man an essential human oneness, it is, we believe, that agency known to Science as "Natural Selection" which must supply the key that will unlock this mystery; and not alone the mystery of the physical differentiation of the races, but the secret of that advancement in mental organization which has raised the very lowest races of men so far above the brutes, (though differing marvelously little from some of them in physical structure,) and which, working in subtle ways, through great periods of time, has produced those modifications that separate the noblest type of cultured European races from the wretched savage Dyak, Alfourian or Tasmanian.

As we are touching on this part of the subject, we may say a word regarding another point, upon which we believe the Duke of ARGYLL to have misapprehended the application to the question of man's genesis of the Darwinian doctrine of "Natural Selection." He calls attention to the direction in which the human frame diverges from the structure of the brutes—that is to say, it diverges in the direction of greater helplessness and weakness—and he essays to show that this is a divergence which it is impossible to ascribe to "Natural Selection." He reasons that, as, *ex hypothesi*, the prehistoric man must have had bodily powers and organs more like those of the beasts, "the continual improvement and perfection of these would be the direction of variation most favorable to the continuance of the species," that is to say, the creature would, under the action of "Natural Selection," become constantly more and more of a brute. But this seems a most unwarrantable conclusion: it wholly ignores the intellectual element in the problem, and leaves altogether out of appreciation the manner in which "Natural Selection" would operate in this regard. It must be manifest that, in the struggle for existence, what would be most favorable to the continuance of the species would be the growth of those capacities of reasoning and reflection, or, to put it in its meanest form, those powers of craft and cunning, which would enable man to supplement his bodily weakness by artificial aids. Thus, under the influence of "Natural Selection," every slight variation in the mental structure of the supposed rude types of primitive man which would enable them better to guard against adverse circumstances and combine for mutual comfort and protection would be preserved and accumulated; and this would be operative not alone as between primitive man and the brutes, but between the various specimens of the human race, for "Natural Selection" ever works in the ascending scale: so that the higher and better types of the race would increase and spread, while the lower and more brutal would give way and successively die out.

And now, having dwelt at some length on this branch of the inquiry, we desire to state that we commit ourselves neither to the so-called doctrine of Development nor to that biological hypothesis known as Darwinism. We believe, however, that they merit the most candid consideration; and we further believe the latter to be a speculation of the deepest interest and of the most important bearings on the problems discussed by the Duke of ARGYLL, whose rather thin satire proves that it is much more easy to misrepresent than to understand the Darwinian theory. Let us now follow the author in his dissertation on the antiquity of man—in entering on which subject, as the Duke correctly states, "we pass from almost total darkness to one which is comparatively accessible to reason and open to research." For, while we are hopelessly barred from the knowledge of man's apparition on the planet, modern research has opened a series of legitimate scientific inquiries of surpassing interest regarding those secondary causes under which (man being created) the ethnological and intellectual differentiation of the races took place, and, from rudest beginnings, finally grew language, religion, arts, society and civilization.

In ascending to the early and earliest periods of man's presence and action on the earth we have two guides: the first is History; the second is supplied by Archæology, Comparative Philology, Geology, &c. These furnish each a chronology, but each furnishes a separate sort of chronology, and the Duke of ARGYLL marks between these respective kinds of chronology a distinction which (though we shall have occasion to show that he has sought to draw from it a use beside its legitimate scope) is a real and a useful distinction. The former gives Time measurable by years; the latter, Time measurable only by an ascertained order or succession of events; or, as the Duke formulates it, the one Time-absolute; the other, Time-relative. "Among all the sciences which afford us evidence on the Antiquity of Man," says he, "one, and one only, gives us any knowledge of Time-absolute, and this is History: from all others we can gather only the less definite information of Time-relative—they can tell us of nothing more than of the order in which certain events took place."

Now, it is to be remarked that Chronology in Time-absolute, that what is known as the historical period, is, even in its farthest stretches, but a beggarly span, compared not alone with the eons in which nature works, but with the sweep of time required for the growth of the great organic creations of man. Greek annals beyond the Olympiads (776 B. C.) are more than uncertain; the Jewish Scriptures contain no connected chronology prior to Solomon, (1017 B. C.,) and none whatever prior to Abraham, (about 2,000 B. C.) Nevertheless, there is definite historical evidence to show that the Monarchy of Egypt had been founded at a period long before the time of Abraham—at a period which the most moderate computation (that of R. STUART POOLE) carries back to 700 years before the visit of the Hebrew Patriarch. This places the beginning of the Pharaohs in the twenty-eighth century B. C. Yet the acceptance of even this dating hopelessly entangles one with the old-time orthodox chronology of Archbishop USSHER, who decided—and a still unrepealed act of the British Parliament legalized the decision—that the heavens and earth were created at 6 o'clock Sunday morning, in the month of September, at the equinox of the year B. C. 4004. For, according to the Archbishop's system, the date above assigned as that of the beginning of the Pharaohs would be some 400 years before the Flood! On the other hand, a difference of 300 years is allowed by the chronology which is founded on the Septuagent version of the Hebrew Scriptures. But the fact of this difference tells in two ways; and in respect of the consequences that follow therefrom, we cannot but agree with the Duke of ARGYLL: "A margin of variation amounting to eight centuries, between two versions of the same document, is a variation so enormous that it seems to cast complete doubt on the whole system of interpretation on which such computations of time are based. And, yet, it is more than questionable whether it is possible to reconcile the known order of events with even this larger estimate of the number of years. The founding of a monarchy is not the beginning of a race. The people among whom such monarchies arose must have grown and gathered during many generations. * * * It is not possible to suppose that some 400 years before the foundation of the Egyptian monarchy is a period long enough to account for the few facts which are implied in the Mosaic narrative itself, repeating the dispersion and geographical distribution of Mankind." This is a certainly sufficiently cautious statement of a conviction on which scholars are now all but universally agreed—to wit, that no reliable chronology is deducible from the Pentateuch.

If, then, we are to account the Third Millenium B. C. as the outer margin of what the Duke names Time-absolute—as the most distant dating supplied by the chronologies of the eldest historical nations—we may appreciate how confined is the known historical period, and how vast a background must be allowed for that unknown pre-historic period, in the suite of whose flowing epochs are embraced the slow gestation of the primeval races, the processes of speech-formation and the evolution of the antique cultures. For it is to be noted that at the very commencement of the so-called historic period we are presented with the spectacle of radically distinct types of mankind, of fully-developed civilizations, of groups of highly-elaborated languages—in a word, we have the spectacle of an ancient world and of old Man. And, indeed, modern research reveals a radiating descent of races, running back to geologic periods. Man, doubtless, looked in on mastodon and megalonyx. Beyond Egypt, beyond the Semites, beyond the Indo-European nations, abundant traces have come to light of other race-strata, cropping out, here and there, through the superposed humus of our historic civilizations, and hinting of long lines of anterior life. We ascend through these six or eight thousand years, led by the staggering yet irrefragable datings of Egypt; but here chronology becomes helpless: back sweep the oldest works of man—pyramids, Cyclopean walls, Celtic and Scandinavian "barrows;" back sweep the antique myths, the vast suggestions of language, the crania of extinct races, the flint implements in the diluvian drift of France and Italy,—till man is met and linked on with the geology of the planet, and history is whirled away and lost in the steep-descending mazes of the origins of the world.

It is now very generally conceded that a liberal chronology must be allowed for the growth of the phenomena of knowledge and art, religion and mythology, law and custom with which history opens. But, in addition to this, a liberal chronology means intellectually a great deal. If it merely meant this date or that, it would scarcely be worthy of serious attention. But the law of one's historic classification is involved. Language and religion and arts and society and civilizations are either to be regarded as things ready made to hand—which we cannot consider a rational view; or they are to be regarded as organic embodiments of the creative activity of man; and if we look upon them in the latter light, then they were developed in time and in great periods of time, and a vast antiquity of man on the earth is by necessity postulated.

On this subject the Duke of ARGYLL evinces a sufficiently catholic rpirit. He states that he "knows of no one moral or religious truth which depends on a short estimate of man's antiquity," but that, "on the contrary," a high estimate of that antiquity is of great value in its bearing upon another question, namely, the unity of the human race." He then proceeds to allude—he does little more than allude—to the evidence bearing on the high antiquity of man on the earth which is afforded by Ethnology, Comparative Philology, Geology, &c. In the latter department—which might properly be called the science of Geological Archæology—investigation has, in particular, been pushed with great success ever since it was opened, a quarter of a century ago, by M. BOUCHER DE PERTHES, ("*Antiquités Celtiques et Antédiluviennes: Memoire sur l' Industrie Primitive et les arts à leur origine*," vol. 1, 1847, vol. 2, 1858,) whose startling discovery remained for nearly twenty years utterly ignored. Far below the surface—at depths of twenty and thirty feet, where traces of man had never been dreamed of—overlaid by beds of sand and gravel and the growth of forests, and associated with fossil elephants, mastodons and crocodiles, M. DE PERTHES exhumed numberless vestiges of human industry, such as flint axes, hammers and knives, weapons, utensils and amulets. Since that time this mine has been vigorously worked in France, Switzerland and Italy, by RIGOLLET and PRESTWICH and LUBBOCK and LYELL, and from all these researches there has grown the assured conviction that the existence of man on the planet must be relegated to the palæontologic period. The testimony of the other lines of investigation all tends in the same direction, and from these studies there has resulted, as the Duke of ARGYLL states, "a weight and concurrence of authority in favor of a long chronology, which grows and increases in the minds of all who have studied any one of the separate branches of inquiry."

While, however, the Duke of ARGYLL shows himself thus liberal and enlightened in respect of the question of human antiquity—a question on which, it is pitiful to declare, it still requires some intellectual courage to avow one's acceptance of the inevitable conclusions of science—he, as we venture to think, fails to apprehend the real logic and *rationale* of this antiquity. If the greatly enlarged chronology of man on the planet, which modern science demands, be not postulated on the ground that its vast, though unmeasured and unmeasurable epochs were filled up with processes of growth, development, amelioration—in a word, of Progress—then we see no claim to a high antiquity of man on earth. On this subject the Duke of ARGYLL expresses opinions which are not, as we believe, in harmony either with science or our highest conceptions of the workings of Providence in history. These views the author sets forth in his concluding chapter, which is devoted to an examination of "Man's Primitive Condition." Our limits quite forbid our entering upon any discussion of this branch of the inquiry; but, in a general way, we may state that the Duke holds the doctrine of degradation or degeneracy; that is, he believes Primeval Man to have been at a high moral and intellectual elevation, from which, in process of time, he lapsed—he believes that savages are only fallen specimens of prior civilized men. This view of the matter was a few years ago developed with great vigor by the late Archbishop WHATELY, who contended that mere savages—that is to say, "men in the lowest degree, or even approaching to the lowest degree of barbarism in which they can possibly subsist at all—never did and never can, unaided, raise themselves into a higher condition." Therefore, "according to the present course of things, the first introducer of civilization among savages is and must be man in a more improved state." But, as "in the beginning of the human race there was no man to effect it," this must have been the work of another Being. "There must have been, in short, something of a revelation made to the first or to some subsequent generation of our species."

Though in a figurative way, we are willing to accept the *spirit* of this statement, we cannot look upon it as the utterance of a scientific doctrine, but, on the contrary, regard it as turned away from the actual philosophy of civilization, whose animating principle is now, and ever has been, Progress. It is true the Duke of ARGYLL considers the theory as expressed by WHATELY to be carried rather too far; but the whole tenor of his own argument goes toward the same end; and, he occupies a considerable part of his book in combatting the ground taken by Sir JOHN LUBBOCK in his *Pre-Historic Times*, that "the primitive condition of mankind was one of utter barbarism;" that from this condition certain races have independently raised themselves; and of course that instead of existing savages being the degenerate descendants of ancestors who were more advanced, all races now civilized are the children of men who were once in the same low condition.

Now, although we are not prepared to give in our adhesion to the above-stated form of *this* theory, we must avow that it is far more in consonance with our deepest belief of the Divine ordainment of the world than is the doctrine of degeneracy. The thought which gives splendor to history is that the mighty heritages—language, religion, civilization, liberty—are organic growths; that arts, sciences, society, literatures, issue from the structural action of the human brain. It is pitiful not to be content with this high truth, and to want magic or miracles—as though this were not the most marvelous of miracles: the long preparations and secretions, the scheme never baulked, ever advancing! We are not disposed to enter into any discussion of the Duke's revival of the frivolous question as to what sort of a savage the primitive race was, and whether it had as its progenitor a monkey who had lost his tail. It becomes the wisest to speak with modesty as to so novel and difficult a problem as that of human beginnings. But we believe that, in pursuing those darkling paths of man's origination and primal condition, which modern research is daily so wonderfully lighting up, science will lose its surest clue when it drops the conviction that the roots of all achievement are in our race itself; that humanity, infinitely free, rich and varied, goes forth and embodies itself in institutions and cultures, polities and civilizations; that the law of progress is ever toward the betterment of man's estate; that, in fine, to borrow the splendid lines of TENNYSON:

"Through the ages, one increasing purpose runs,
And the thoughts of men are widened with the process of the suns."

## THE WEST.

### Opening of the Pacific Railroad—Distribution of Offices—Young Men's Christian Association Anniversary—Crime and Criminals—Soft Spring in a Garden City.

From an Occasional Correspondent.

CHICAGO, Tuesday, April 13, 1869.

The good people of Chicago are looking forward to the celebration at an early day of the opening of the Pacific Railroad. This great work has been pushed forward, as the country knows, with marvelous rapidity, till but a few links in the stupendous chain to bind the Atlantic to the Pacific remain to be forged. The Common Council of the city have taken time by the forelock in their preparations to celebrate the completion of the road, on a scale proportioned to the importance and grandeur of the work. At a recent meeting the following preamble and resolutions were passed, which, as indicating the enthusiasm of the city's representatives at the view of their city's greatness as connected with that of the Pacific Road, and showing also how grand projects inspire generous hospitality, your readers may like to peruse without curtailment:

*Whereas*, It is understood that the Pacific Railway will be completed within the next few weeks; and

*Whereas*, An event so auspicious to the commercial, the social and the political interests of the nation, grander in its conception, more expeditious in its execution, and more beneficial and far-reaching in its influence upon the progress of mankind, than any similar achievement in the history of the race—the first great highway for traffic and travel by steam opened across any of the continents of the world—should be appropriately celebrated; and

*Whereas*, The City of Chicago, the financial and the commercial capital of the Mississippi Valley, desires properly to recognise and honor so grand an event in the world's history; therefore,

*Resolved*, That a Committee, consisting of His Honor the Mayor and five members of the Common Council, to be chosen by ballot or appointed by the Mayor, be appointed to confer with a Committee of citizens and of the Board of Trade to prepare a plan for the appropriate celebration of the opening of the great continental railway.

*Resolved*, That said Committee be authorized to invite, at such times as the managers of the Central, the Union Pacific and the Northwestern Railways shall appoint to bring the guests to Chicago, the Governors and their staffs of the States of California, Oregon and Nevada, and of the Territories of Washington, Idaho, Montana, Dakota, Utah, Wyoming and Colorado; the members of the Legislatures of the several States and Territories above named and Judges of their several Courts; the Mayors and Common Councils of the cities of San Francisco, Sacramento, and of such other cities as they may select in California; of the City of Portland, in Oregon; of Virginia City, in Nevada; of Denver, in Colorado, and the Mayor and Councils and leading citizens of such other cities in the States and Territories above named, as said Committee of this Council and citizens shall deem best and most appropriate.

*Resolved*, That the said Committee be requested to invite the President and Vice-President of the United States, with his Cabinet, members of both Houses of Congress, Judges of the Supreme Court, the Generals and other leading officers of the army of the United States; Governors of Illinois and the several States, and such other distinguished gentlemen as they shall deem best, to meet our fellow-citizens from the Pacific States and the central Territories of the Republic, and to unite with us and them in celebrating the opening of the Pacific Railroad.

*Resolved*, That the hospitalities of the city be cordially tendered to its guests on this auspicious occasion.

*Resolved*, That this Committee be requested, in due time, to report to this Council an estimate of what appropriation will be required to pay the necessary and appropriate expenses of the celebration.

This is certainly spreading invitations over a broad space, both territorially and socially. Of the "potent, grave and reverend seignors" embraced in the programme, the greater part, no doubt, will contrive to grace the august occasion with their presence. These will bring others from far and near, who will come to see, if not to participate in, the actual festivities; so that, while the hospitalities proffered will be tested to the utmost, the day promises to witness the most memorable gathering that this city, renowned for its Conventions, has ever known.

GOVERNMENT OFFICES.

Amid the throng of applicants for office revolving in a little circle around the White House, for several weeks at least after the inauguration, seekers from Illinois were far from being the least conspicuous. Changes were looked for in nearly all the city offices here, candidates who proposed and hoped to fill them being plentiful and about as industrious as bees in a freshly-flowered clover field. At the opening of the present month, and before any change had been made, one of the city papers had the following announcement from its Washington correspondent: "A story is told of the President and your member, Mr. JUDD, to this effect: Mr. JUDD called on the President with his list of appointments in his hand. The President received him with his usual not unkindly reserve. Mr. JUDD spoke of the coming man, 'as he saw it,' for the places to be filled. The President interrupted him by saying: 'Mr. JUDD, I have agreed to appoint General WEBSTER as Assessor, General COBB as Collector, Colonel EASTMAN for Postmaster, General SWEET as Pension Agent. Dr. ROGERS will remain in the Marine Hospital, and I have not yet decided as to the Collector of the Port—Judge SCATES may be incumbent will remain for the present. I suppose these appointments will suit you, Sir.'" The "story," as thus told, was pronounced altogether "apocryphal" by one of the evening papers of Chicago, but the result, thus far, has proved the story to be quite authentic and trustworthy. For three of the gentlemen whose names are given above, viz., Colonel EASTMAN, General WEBSTER and General SWEET, were really nominated a short time after, for the offices specified, the first having been confirmed as Postmaster, and the other two, though failing of confirmation, with many others, in consequence of the adjournment of Congress, will, no doubt, reach their commissions by the close of the Executive Session of the Senate. It is fair to infer that the remaining part of the Presidential programme will be carried out as strictly as the former part has been, agreeably to the "story" related above, and that the present incumbents, all of whom are decided GRANT men, and estimable gentlemen as well, will not be disturbed in the offices they so worthily fill.

YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION.

The eleventh anniversary of the Young Men's Christian Association was celebrated in Farwell Hall on Sabbath evening last. This is one of the noblest halls in the country, being able to accommodate, with its double galleries, an audience of upward of 5,000. It was densely filled on the occasion in question, and one rarely sees a more inspiriting spectacle than that presented by the sea of human faces gathered there. The former building of the Association was burned in the early part of last year, and the present more commodious and comely one has only been completed a few months. The Association, whose members are composed of the various evangelical bodies of the city, has grown to be a living power in the community. From the President's report it appears that between 600 and 700 persons were employed the past year in carrying the Gospel to the homes of the people, the number of visits made being estimated at 144,000. Immense numbers of tracts, small books, Bibles and Testaments, were distributed among the German and other foreign peoples, as well as among the native-born. The city is divided into fifty-seven districts, which receive systematic visitation, the number of people reached by the process being fully equal to the attendance upon all the Protestant churches in the city. In the burning of the former hall, the Society lost 3,000 volumes. These have been replaced, and when the orders now issued for books are filled, the library of the Association will contain not less than 6,000 volumes, embracing poetry, travels, biography, history, *belles lettres*, theology, philosophy, art and science. All these books will be standard works, and of the latest editions, the selection being intrusted to competent hands. The net proceeds of lectures for the past year was about $3,500, and it is proposed to establish for the coming year, in addition to paid lectures, a system of free lectures, in order to bring this means of instruction within reach of the most impecunious. The number of persons furnished employment the past year was 2,039 males and 1,070 females distributed among a dozen nationalities. In addition to this there are committees to provide board for young men coming freshly to the city and exposed to its temptations, committees to visit saloons and gather into the meetings of the Association wandering and unwary youth, and committees to manage a system of open-air meetings; the reports of all which committees show the success that earnest, persevering effort to elevate and benefit man is sure to achieve. An association having such high aims in view, and able to point to such salutary results, is well worthy of the commendation and support, not of its special partisans only, but of all who value the true welfare of society.

Addresses were made at the recent meeting by Rev. W. ALVIN BARTLETT, of Plymouth Church, lately of Brooklyn, N. Y., and H. A. MILLER, President of Young Men's Christian Association of Cincinnati. The HUTCHINSONS, who are giving concerts here, sang two sacred pieces with surpassing delicacy and power of execution, and after a collection, amounting to upward of $400, the anniversary exercises were over.

CRIME AND CRIMINALS.

The criminal statistics of Chicago do not vary remarkably from those of most large cities. Her reputation at the East certainly is not very high on the score of exemplariness in virtue and morality, and some scruple not to set her down as extraordinarily depraved. But one fails to discover in her criminal records glaring evidence of her being much, if any, worse than sister cities of the land, some of which make much louder pretensions. Her being a Western city, of a Jonah-gourd like growth, filled with adventurers and schemers from all parts of the land, and people of nearly every nationality from beyond the sea, attracted by the advantages which her suddenly swollen importance is supposed to offer, might seem very adverse to her holding a fair record in the matter of law, order and morals. But apart from a reprehensible laxity in the matter of granting divorces, there is but little difference between her and other populous places all over the land. Her newspapers teem, it is true, with accounts of murder, suicide, arson, burglary, and various high-handed crimes, which deface and afflict society. But so do papers everywhere—so that the reader is not surer to find in his daily paper the account of how gold is selling than he is to find the record of dire and atrocious acts committed by man against man—a kind of reading, by the way, which a certain class of readers gloat over, while others "supped full of horrors" turn away from with a sickening satiety. Here is a case of homicide, or murder as most honest people would call it, which occurred here in broad daylight and on a public thoroughfare about a fortnight ago. A man named ARTHUR DEVINE, keeping with his brother a boiler shop on Polk-street, with a number of men in his employ, had occasion to discharge one named FRANCIS MCVEY. Certain arrears due the latter were unpaid, and he called several times upon DEVINE by appointment to receive his dues, but failed to get them. The last time he declared he would not call again, and rough words passed between the parties. A scuffle ensued, and blows were given, when the men were separated by parties present, and MCVEY took his departure. DEVINE hastily entered his shop, snatched up a pistol, returned to the street, and fired at MCVEY, killing him almost instantly. It is said that on committing the act, DEVINE exclaimed, "I thank God there is no law for hanging in Illinois!" He was committed on a warrant for manslaughter, and admitted to bail afterward in the sum of $20,000. A meeting of workingmen was subsequently held, and money raised to prosecute the perpetrator of this dastardly and horrible act, who, within a day or two, has been indicted by the Grand Jury for murder. The deceased was a Scotchman, who supported aged parents in his native country by his honest toil, and is spoken of as an industrious, inoffensive man. His murderer has money to release him from the clutches of the law, or from its worst penalties. And should he be so released, it will only be a result the like of which, while the murder-loathing and justice-loving deplore, has happened and is happening in other localities besides the Garden City.

MISCELLANEOUS.

The bridges across the Chicago River and its branches, stationary till within a week or two from the cold, are beginning to "swing round the circle" as briskly and persistently as a certain peripatetic orator who writes his initials A. J. Hosts of masts and pipes of steamers glide lazily through the chasms made by the revolving bridges, while greater hosts of humans stand "shivering on the brink" on either side, waiting with what patience they can, till the connection with the opposite bank is restored. The word "shivering" is no misnomer, though April is half through. Bleak piercing winds from lake and prairie have blown like the trade winds for constancy almost from March 1 to this writing. The first weeks of the former month gave weather most of the time at zero, some days several degrees below. The Spring, which is present nominally, seems almost as far off as ever, for neither leaf, blossom, bud, nor even green grass appears to cheer one, on which side soever one turns his eyes. No note of robin or bluebird, to say nothing of "the voice of the turtle," is yet heard in the Garden City. The papers have are often jubilant in praise of everything Chicagoan, while they amorously disparage by comparison sundry rival cities having the presumption to claim equality. I have found no papers boasting of the superior beauty and comfort of a Chicago Spring. I infer from this that they really believe there are some places in North America where the Spring at least is more blithe and enjoyable, and are writing that the palm, in one solitary particular, should be yielded to pleasant dwelling in a softer clime. C. V. S.

## INDIANA.

### The Spring Elections—Extra Session of the Legislature—Criminal Affairs—Business and Crop Prospects.

From Our Own Correspondent.

LAFAYETTE, Ind., Saturday, April 17, 1869.

Contrary to the expectations of the Democrats, the results of the Spring elections show in nearly all parts of the State very heavy Republican gains. A great many townships, which last Fall gave overwhelming Democratic majorities, have now either gone Republican or been carried by the Democrats only by greatly-reduced majorities. The Republicans have elected their candidates in nearly every town of importance in the State, and their aggregate majority can hardly fall short of 30,000. If anything were wanting to prove that fraudulent means were resorted to last Fall for the purpose of reducing the Republican majority in Indiana, these Spring elections would have done so. As a matter of course, the satisfaction which the people of this State feel very generally at the course hitherto pursued by the Administration of General GRANT, and the exceedingly judicious and praiseworthy manner in which the Federal patronage has been distributed in Indiana, contributed much toward swelling the Republican vote on Monday last; but the fact is undeniable that there is a reliable Republican majority of from fifteen to twenty thousand votes in the State, and that it was reduced last Fall only by dint of the most glaring frauds.

EXTRA SESSION OF THE LEGISLATURE.

The stormy scenes which, it was expected, would be sure to occur at the opening of the extra session of our Legislature, owing to the defiant attitude of the reflected Democratic members of the State Senate and House of Representatives, have not taken place. After considerable hesitation on the part of the Democrats, and rather emphatic threats on that of the Republicans that the Legislature would organize without the Democrats and declare their seats vacant—a course which, not a few of our best lawyers assert, the Republican members of both Houses would have been perfectly justified in pursuing, according to the eleventh section of our State Constitution—the reflected "bolters" qualified and took their seats, in consequence of a written pledge signed by a number of Republican Senators and Representatives to the effect that no attempt should be made to ratify the Fifteenth Amendment until toward the close of the session. A motion to postpone the consideration of the Constitutional Amendment until the 11th of May, was promptly adopted in the House of Representatives, but the State Senate has thus far failed to pass it likewise. The consequence of this surrender on the part of the Republicans (for, no matter what certain organs of the Republicans may say about it, it was a surrender) will be that Indiana will not ratify the amendment at the present extra session, inasmuch as the Democrats in both Houses of the Legislature will be certain to resign their seats previous to the 11th of May, when they may do so without rendering themselves again liable to the charge that they prevented the Appropriation bills being adopted, and will yet be able to thwart the purpose of their Republican opponents to pass the Fifteenth Amendment. The course pursued by the "weak-kneed" members of the Legislature in regard to this question is bitterly denounced by a great many of their political friends in this State, and some of the gentlemen who took a leading part in thus surrendering to the Democrats will no doubt lose their seats in the Legislature in consequence at the next elections. In justice to them, however, it should be said, on the other hand, that there were not a few reasons making it desirable that the Legislative conflict should be brought to a close at the earliest moment possible. The State Institutions, such as the House of Refuge, the Lunatic Asylum, the asylums for the Blind and for the Deaf and Dumb, the two Penitentiaries, the Soldiers' Home, &c., had long since exhausted the funds appropriated for them, and in case the doors of the State Treasury had not been speedily unlocked most of them would have been closed, and their inmates would have been turned loose upon the community. The non-payment of so many claims for want of the necessary appropriations, at a time when the State Treasury was full to overflowing, caused a great deal of distress and grumbling; and some of the most influential leaders of the Republican Party urged their friends in the Legislature to make some concessions to the Democrats in regard to the ratification of the Fifteenth Amendment. However, since the Democrats have carried their point this time, I am afraid they will resort to the same trick, and, by resigning *en masse*, break up the quorum of the Legislature, whenever the Republicans attempt to pass bills distasteful to them and calculated to lessen their influence in the State.

CRIMINAL AFFAIRS.

The number of important crimes that have been committed in Indiana during the past two weeks has been comparatively small. Seven or eight murders have been committed in the course of the last ten days—a very marked decrease from the fearful state of affairs prevailing at the beginning of the present year, when, on an average, two persons daily were murdered in this State. The most painfully interesting of the bloody deeds lately perpetrated in Indiana, is that which took place a few days since at Canelton, where two merchants quarreled and attacked one another, the fight resulting in the death of the one and the mortal wounding of the other.

The Lebanon authorities still refuse to give particulars about the arrest of the two men charged with having murdered the TODD family in Boone County. Your correspondent learns that they were neighbors of the murdered GEORGE TODD, and that the proofs of their guilt are perfectly overwhelming. The famous Mrs. CLEM has not yet been taken to the State Prison. She is still at the County Jail in Indianapolis, and pretends to be confident not only that the Supreme Court will grant her a new trial, but also that, in case it should refuse to do so, Governor BAKER would pardon her before she had passed many days within the walls of the Penitentiary. In a few days she will testify both in a civil suit brought against her, and at a criminal trial, that of ABRAMS, her accomplice in the murder of the YOUNGS, and these trials are in consequence looked forward to with much curiosity.

BUSINESS AND CROP PROSPECTS.

Business in Indiana has for some months past been exceedingly dull, and the Spring trade has thus far hardly fulfilled the expectations which our merchants entertained in regard to it. Money seems not to be so very scarce, but the roads have, in many parts of the State, for months, been in an impassable condition, and the uncertainty still prevailing in reference to the wheat crop causes the farmers to buy as few goods as possible. Signs of very substantial prosperity, however, are not wanting in Indiana. More houses will be built during the coming season in most of our cities and towns than ever before. Upward of fifteen hundred miles of new railroads will be constructed in the course of the present year, and our railroad system will ere long be equal to that of the States whose resources are best developed. The income tax lists which have just been published, show that there are more wealthy men in our midst than ever before; and, last, more emigrants are now settling in Indiana than have come to this State for several years past. W. C.

### English Artisans to be Sent to Canada.

*From the Montreal Gazette, April 17.*

The British Government has determined to send the artisans who were thrown out of employment by the recent wholesale reductions in the Portsmouth Dock-yard, to this country by the troop-ships expected at Halifax and Quebec during the Spring and Summer. The Imperial Government expects to find employment for the skill and good character of these mechanics; and, as they include carpenters, blacksmiths, shipwrights, moulders, finishers and the other trades employed on those two great wonder-workers of the nineteenth century—wood and iron—we should decidedly feel glad to see them. I was the other evening asleep, the morning still, the cock had not crowed, when my door was knocked at, and her present mistress in the land of dreams said to me; and let us hope, that ere many years have rolled over, and help us to build up the great power which it is evidently the mission of the British and French races to establish under this northern clime.

## RHODE ISLAND.

### An Appeal from Mr. Sprague, Senator, to Mr. Sprague, Governor.

*From the Providence Journal.*

In Senator SPRAGUE'S extraordinary narrative of the battle of Bull Run and the conduct of the Rhode Island officers and soldiers therein, he says:

"Where was he who was placed in high command over this devoted and splendid body of men, whose equal has never before been brought together? Let remember it was the vicious influence of only one or two men who were here. Where was he, I say? He had left, had deserted them. He sought safety in safe places. He was not there."

And again:

"With blanched face I was begged by the Commander, who was stunned by two million dollars, to go to the rear and surrender the troops as he would not have them cut up. Twice, Sir, was I thus solicited. Did I spurn with contempt not the miserable and cowardly proposition? Sir, we were disgraced."

The official character and position of the man who makes these assertions alone entitle them to consideration. There are hundreds of men about us who know whether they are true or false. But it may be worth while, without going back with the Senator to the Middle Ages, to glance at a little modern history, with a view of ascertaining whether Mr. SPRAGUE'S official conduct has been at all consistent with a theory that he knew the commander of the First Regiment to be a miserable and cowardly incompetent.

At a special session of the General Assembly, August, 1861, immediately succeeding the return of the First Regiment, after they had disgraced the State, as Mr. SPRAGUE now says, the following resolutions were passed unanimously, Mr. SPRAGUE at the time being Governor and leading spirit in the administration:

RESOLUTION of thanks to AMBROSE E. BURNSIDE, late Colonel of First Regiment, Rhode Island Detached Militia.

*Resolved*, That the thanks of the General Assembly be and the same are hereby presented to AMBROSE E. BURNSIDE, late Colonel of the First Regiment Rhode Island Detached Militia, for the prompt and patriotic manner in which he tendered his services to his adopted State at the call of the country for soldiers to protect its capital and sustain its Government under the National Constitution; for his assiduous care and skillful management of the troops of this State placed under his charge, and for the skill and generalship displayed by him upon the field of

## CITY GOVERNMENT.

### Board of Assistant Aldermen—Special Session.

[OFFICIAL.]

MONDAY, April 19, 1869—3 o'clock P. M.

The Board met pursuant to the following resolution, which was adopted, by unanimous consent, on Monday last:

Resolved, That the Board do now adjourn to meet this day, at 3 o'clock P. M., for the purpose of considering the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the Comptroller be and he is hereby directed to draw his warrant in favor of John Bentley, Treasurer of the John-street Methodist Episcopal Church, for the sum of two hundred and fifty-three dollars, as per the annexed bill, and interest thereon, as a donation to be applied in payment of assessments for the work of opening Church-street, charged against the property of said church, and charge the same to the account of "Donations," or any other appropriate account.

Which was laid over.

By Assistant Alderman Cunningham—

Petition of the Trustees of the Lexington-avenue Methodist Episcopal Church for a donation, to refund the amount of taxes and assessments on the church property paid in one thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

By Assistant Alderman Cunningham—

Petition of R. L. & A. Stuart for a donation, as pay an erroneous assessment.

In connection therewith the following preamble and resolution:

Whereas, On the twenty-seventh of May, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-seven, R. L. & A. Stuart paid an assessment on their lands, lying on Sixty-ninth-street, for opening said street between Madison and Fifth avenues, and it appears that said street between the said avenues, was, several years ago, ceded to and accepted by the Corporation of the City of New-York, by James Lennox, Esq., and also that the Messrs. Stuart were not served with notice of the said assessment until a final notice was given, with a penalty of twenty-one dollars and sixty-one cents for delay; and

Whereas, It would manifestly be an injustice, in view of such cession by James Lennox, Esq., to require the Messrs. Stuart to bear such assessment and penalty, and as no power rests in the Common Council to remit an assessment thus erroneously and unjustly imposed, except by the direct method of making a donation sufficient to reimburse the payment thereof to the parties who have paid the same; be it

Resolved, That the Comptroller be and he is hereby authorized and directed to draw his warrant in favor of Messrs. R. L. & A. Stuart for the sum of two hundred and ninety-nine dollars and sixty-one cents, ($299 61), as per the annexed bill, with interest from May twenty-seven, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-seven, as a donation in liquidation of an overpayment made by the said R. L. & A. Stuart for the work of opening Sixty-ninth-street, from Fifth-avenue to the East River, and charge the same to the account of "Donations," or any other appropriate account.

Which was laid over.

By Assistant Alderman Cunningham—

Petition of James Lennox for a donation to pay an erroneous assessment.

In connection therewith the following preamble and resolution:

Whereas, In February, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-six, James Lennox paid an assessment imposed upon his lands lying on Seventy-first-street, between Fourth and Fifth avenues, of one thousand seven hundred and five dollars ($1,705) for the opening of said street from Fifth-avenue to the East River; also, in August, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-seven, he paid an assessment upon his lands lying in Seventy-fourth-street, between the same avenues, of two hundred and two dollars ($202) for the opening of said street, from the Fourth-avenue to the Third-avenue; and

Whereas, It appears that portions of these several streets, between the Fourth and Fifth avenues, have been ceded to and accepted by the City of New-York, and that, in consequence of such cession, it is manifest that the burden of the payment of said erroneous assessments should be borne by the said James Lennox; therefore, for the purpose of effecting such payment in the matter as lies in the Common Council to effect, be it

Resolved, That the Comptroller be and he is hereby authorized and directed to draw his warrant in favor of James Lennox for the sum of two thousand four hundred and forty-one dollars, ($2,441), with interest on one thousand seven hundred and five dollars ($1,705) thereof, from February twenty-one thousand eight hundred and sixty-six; also, on five hundred and thirty-four dollars ($534) thereof, from June, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-six; also, on two hundred and two dollars ($202) thereof, from August, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-seven, as a donation in liquidation of assessments on his property in Seventy-first, Sixty-ninth and Seventy-third streets, between Fourth and Fifth avenues, for the work of opening Seventy-first-street, from the Fourth-avenue to the East River; also, Sixty-ninth-street, from the Fifth-avenue to the East River; also, Seventy-third-street, from Fourth-avenue to Third-avenue, and charged to and paid by the said James Lennox, and charge the same to the account of "Donations," or any other appropriate account.

Which was laid over.

By the same—

Petition of R. L. & A. Stuart and James Lennox that Sixty-ninth-street be opened from Fifth-avenue to the East River.

In connection therewith, the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Comptroller of the Corporation be and he is hereby directed to take the necessary measures to have Sixty-ninth-street, from Fifth-avenue to the East River, opened according to law.

Which was laid over.

RESOLUTIONS.

By Assistant Alderman Gibney—

Resolved, That Stone-street, from Whitehall to Broad-street, be paved with Belgian or trap-block pavement.

Which was laid over.

By Assistant Alderman Cunningham—

Resolved, That the sidewalks on both sides of Fifty-fourth-street, from Fourth to Fifth-avenue, be flagged full width, where not already done.

Which was laid over.

By Assistant Alderman Jackson—

Resolved, That gas mains be laid, lamp posts erected, and street lamps lighted in Fifty-seventh-street, from Eighth to Tenth-avenue, under the direction of the Street Department.

Which was laid over.

By Assistant Alderman Roberts—

Resolved, That One Hundred and Twenty-eighth-street, from Second to Fourth-avenue, be paved with Belgian or trap-block pavement.

Which was laid over.

By Assistant Alderman Roberts—

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to William H. Campbell to erect bay-windows, of the usual form, on the dwelling-houses now in course of erection on the southwest corner of Avenue A and One Hundred and Twenty-second-street, and permission to remain only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

Which was laid over.

By Assistant Alderman John Reilly—

Resolved, That it is the sense of this board that the necessary receiving basins and culverts be built in Seventh-street, from Avenue A to Avenue B.

Which was laid over.

By Assistant Alderman Jackson—

Resolved, That Tenth-avenue, between Seventy-first and Seventy-fifth streets, be regulated and graded, the curb and gutter stones set, and the sidewalks flagged a space four feet wide through the centre thereof, where not already done.

Which was laid over.

By Assistant Alderman Daly—

Resolved, That the sidewalk on the north side of Fifty-street, between Avenues C and D, be flagged full width where not already done.

Which was laid over.

By Assistant Alderman Gibney—

Resolved, That Twenty-second-street, from Seventh to Eighth-avenue, be paved with Belgian or trap-block pavement.

Which was laid over.

By Assistant Alderman Hampson—

Whereas, In other States and cities of the Federal Union regulations are enforced, whereby citizens of the State of New-York, acting as commercial travellers or otherwise, are compelled to pay a license-fee to such States or municipalities, while engaged therein in the fulfillment of their vocation; and

Whereas, It appears to be the purpose of such regulations to repress and exclude the commerce of the City of New-York from such States and cities, with the view of enhancing the business interests of certain cities and ports, such regulations being in violation of the commercial prosperity of the City of New-York; and

Whereas, Such regulations are sectional in character, discriminating in favor of one and against other sections of the Union, and impose a burden upon commerce, in addition to the tax levied upon it by Congress, through the medium of the internal revenue act; therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Counsel to the Corporation be and he is hereby requested to communicate to the Common Council whether the Regulations so established have been brought under judicial review, and decided with respect to their relation to the third subdivision of section 8, of article one, of the Constitution of the United States, which ordains that it is the right of Congress "to regulate commerce with the several States," and if they have not been so decided, that such review, whether in his opinion the said regulations are in violation of the Constitutional provision herein specified.

Which was adopted.

Resolved, That the Comptroller be and he is hereby authorized and directed to draw his warrant in favor of James Lennox for the sum of two hundred and forty-one dollars, ($241), with interest on one hundred and forty-six dollars ($146) thereof, from June, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-six; also, on two hundred and two dollars ($202) thereof, from August, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-seven, as a donation in liquidation of assessments on his property in Seventy-first, Sixty-ninth and Seventy-third streets, between Fourth and Fifth avenues, for the work of opening Seventy-first-street, from the Fourth-avenue to the East River; also, Sixty-ninth-street, from the Fifth-avenue to the East River; also, Seventy-third-street, from Fourth-avenue to Third-avenue, and charged to and paid by the said James Lennox, and charge the same to the account of "Donations," or any other appropriate account.

Which was laid over.

By the same—

Resolved, That the Comptroller be and he is hereby authorized and directed to draw his warrant in favor of Messrs. R. L. & A. Stuart for the sum of two hundred and ninety-nine dollars and sixty-one cents, ($299 61), as per the annexed bill, with interest from May twenty-seven, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-seven, as a donation in liquidation of an overpayment made by the said R. L. & A. Stuart for the work of opening Sixty-ninth-street, from Fifth-avenue to the East River, charged against the property of the said R. L. & A. Stuart, and charge the same to the account of "Donations," or any other appropriate account.

Which was laid over.

By Assistant Alderman Cunningham—

Petition of James Lennox for a donation to pay an erroneous assessment.

In connection therewith the following preamble and resolution:

Whereas, In February, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-six, James Lennox paid an assessment imposed upon his lands lying in Seventy-first-street, between Fourth and Fifth avenues, of one thousand seven hundred and five dollars ($1,705) for the opening of said street from Fifth-avenue to the East River; also, in August, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-seven, he paid an assessment upon his lands lying in Seventy-fourth-street, between the same avenues, of two hundred and two dollars ($202) for the opening of said street, from the Fourth-avenue to the Third-avenue; and

Whereas, It appears that portions of these several streets, between the Fourth and Fifth avenues, have been ceded to and accepted by the City of New-York, several years prior to the imposition of said assessments, been ceded by the said James Lennox to and accepted by the Common Council of the City of New-York, and that, in consequence of such cession, it is manifest that the burden of the payment of said erroneous assessments should be borne by the said James Lennox; therefore, for the purpose of effecting such payment in the matter as lies in the Common Council to effect, be it

Resolved, That the Comptroller be and he is hereby authorized and directed to draw his warrant in favor of James Lennox for the sum of two thousand four hundred and forty-one dollars, ($2,441), with interest on one hundred and seven hundred and five dollars ($1,705) thereof, from February twenty, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-six; also, on five hundred and thirty-four dollars ($534) thereof, from June, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-six; also, on two hundred and two dollars ($202) thereof, from August, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-seven, as a donation in liquidation of assessments on his property in Seventy-first, Sixty-ninth and Seventy-third streets, between Fourth and Fifth avenues, for the work of opening Seventy-first-street, from the Fourth-avenue to the East River; also, Sixty-ninth-street, from the Fifth-avenue to the East River; also, Seventy-third-street, from Fourth-avenue to Third-avenue, and charged to and paid by the said James Lennox, and charge the same to the account of "Donations," or any other appropriate account.

Which was laid over.

By the same—

Petition of R. L. & A. Stuart and James Lennox that Sixty-ninth-street be opened from Fifth-avenue to the East River.

In connection therewith, the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Comptroller of the Corporation be and he is hereby directed to take the necessary measures to have Sixty-ninth-street, from Fifth-avenue to the East River, opened according to law.

Which was laid over.

RESOLUTIONS.

By Assistant Alderman Gibney—

Resolved, That Stone-street, from Whitehall to Broad-street, be paved with Belgian or trap-block pavement.

Which was laid over.

By Assistant Alderman Cunningham—

Resolved, That the sidewalks on both sides of Fifty-fourth-street, from Fourth to Fifth-avenue, be flagged full width, where not already done.

Which was laid over.

By Assistant Alderman Jackson—

Resolved, That gas mains be laid, lamp posts erected, and street lamps lighted in Fifty-seventh-street, from Eighth to Tenth-avenue, under the direction of the Street Department.

Which was laid over.

By Assistant Alderman Roberts—

Resolved, That One Hundred and Twenty-eighth-street, from Second to Fourth-avenue, be paved with Belgian or trap-block pavement.

Which was laid over.

By Assistant Alderman Roberts—

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to William H. Campbell to erect bay-windows, of the usual form, on the dwelling-houses now in course of erection on the southwest corner of Avenue A and One Hundred and Twenty-second-street, and permission to remain only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

Which was laid over.

By Assistant Alderman John Reilly—

Resolved, That it is the sense of this board that the necessary receiving basins and culverts be built in Seventh-street, from Avenue A to Avenue B.

Which was laid over.

By Assistant Alderman Jackson—

Resolved, That Tenth-avenue, between Seventy-first and Seventy-fifth streets, be regulated and graded, the curb and gutter stones set, and the sidewalks flagged a space four feet wide through the centre thereof, where not already done.

Which was laid over.

By Assistant Alderman Daly—

Resolved, That the sidewalk on the north side of Fifty-street, between Avenues C and D, be flagged full width where not already done.

Which was laid over.

By Assistant Alderman Gibney—

Resolved, That Twenty-second-street, from Seventh to Eighth-avenue, be paved with Belgian or trap-block pavement.

Which was laid over.

By Assistant Alderman Hampson—

Whereas, In other States and cities of the Federal Union regulations are enforced, whereby citizens of the State of New-York, acting as commercial travellers or otherwise, are compelled to pay a license-fee to such States or municipalities, while engaged therein in the fulfillment of their vocation; and

Whereas, It appears to be the purpose of such regulations to repress and exclude the commerce of the City of New-York from such States and cities, with the view of enhancing the business interests of certain cities and ports, such regulations being in violation of the commercial prosperity of the City of New-York; and

Whereas, Such regulations are sectional in character, discriminating in favor of one and against other sections of the Union, and impose a burden upon commerce, in addition to the tax levied upon it by Congress, through the medium of the internal revenue act; therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Counsel to the Corporation be and he is hereby requested to communicate to the Common Council whether the Regulations so established have been brought under judicial review, and decided with respect to their relation to the third subdivision of section 8, of article one, of the Constitution of the United States, which ordains that it is the right of Congress "to regulate commerce with the several States," and if they have not been so decided, that such review, whether in his opinion the said regulations are in violation of the Constitutional provision herein specified.

Which was adopted.